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P. MACQUEEN,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

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No. 1

To the Worshipfull James Hubbard Esq^{r}.
Dep^{ty}. Gov^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. David
&c^{a}. Councill

Worshipfull Sir & Sirs

Inclos'd you will receive Bills of lading for ten Candys of bale rope sent you on two Country boats invoice &c^{a} will follow in a Letter from the Governour and Council.

I am
Gentlemen

Your most humble Servant
George Torriano
Secretary.

Fort S^{t}. George
the 2^{d}. January 1735-6.

No. 2

To the Worsh^{ll}. Ja^{s}. Hubbard Esq^{r}.
Deputy Govern^{r}. &c^{a}. Councill of
Fort S^{t}. David

Worshipfull Sir & Sirs

We have five from you unanswer'd Dated 12th: 16th: 27th: Dec^{r}: & 2^{d}. & 7th: Ins^{t}: with the first came a set of y^{r}. General Books which we have sent to England you must therefore send us up another set with y^{r}. Consultations & Paymast^{rs}. acco^{ts}. Copy these last with y^{e}. other Annual Papers you must send thither by the Nassau.

Those of the 16th: Ult^{o}: & 7th: Curr^{t}: relate to the Swedish Broad Cloth to which we answer that we would have it sent up by the first conveyance that offers but not with any of the Companys Cloth white or br[own].

The bale [rope you] wrote for in yours of the 27th. was se[nt.] on two [country boats & the in]voice comes herewith [. . .] shall be sent the first opportunity.

We can by no means consent to y^{e}. request of y^{r}. late arrack farmers & therefore direct that you recover the rent remaining due from them.

Send up all the torn & turned out Cloth you have of Andiapas lying on hand the Nassau will come down the middle of next weak.

We are
WORSHIPFULL S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

Your affe^{te}. Freinds & Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
THE 17TH. JANUARY 173516.

No. 3

TO THE WORSH^{LL}. JA^{S}. HUBBARD ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^{T}. DAVID

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS

This comes by the Nassau Capt^{n}. William Hutchinson whom we have laden for account of our Honourable Masters one thousand one hundred & fifty eight bales which with her redwood & Salt Petre am^{ts}. as ℔ calculate of her tonnage inclosed to 345 Tons you must add the remainder being tons 135.

We have put on board a Quantity of Salt Petre & pepper which is not a part of her Charterparty [tonnage] the bill of lading for these Goods is seperate [*sic*] but [comes] inclosed with the other for the rest of her cargo if when [. . .] comp [. . .] tonnage the Captain will request for any more bales at half freight you may let him have them provided there is room in the hold.

You must take care to send proper persons on board to see that her compliment of Men Guns & other Warlike stores are agreable to Charterparty you must demand the Captains register of Goods to send home herewith we send you copy of this Ships Charter Party.

You will receive the two sets of scales & weights lately wrote for by the Nassau.

M^{r}. Turin must come up by the first good opportunity to be employ'd in our Hospital.

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FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
25TH. JANUARY 1735/6.

No. 4

To Captain Wm. Hutchinson
Commander of the Nassau

Sir

On receipt hereof you are to go on board your ship & make the best of your way to Fort St. David on your arrival there you are to deliver our Packett to the Deputy Governour & Councill and follow such orders as you shall receive from ym. for the Loading of your ship of any other matters till you receive our orders for Proceeding to Europe [we wish] you well down and date this in fort St. George this twentieth [day of] January 1735/6.

[Richard Benyon]
[&ca.]

No. 5

To the Worshipll. Fran. Everest Esqr.
Deputy Governr. of Fort Marlbrough &c. Councill

Worshipfull Sir & Sirs

The 2d. October we dispatch'd the Madrass Galley to your Portwth. what Wares & Stores we judged you might be most in want of and promised to give full answers by the George to your several Letters which we now come to do under the usual Heads.

First Concerning Shipping

The George arrived here the 27th. of August the Madrass Galley the 22d. February and the Nassau 9th. of December by which conveyances we have received your Letters of the 6th. July & 30th. Decr. 1734 & 25th. August 1735.

Since you represent the Galley to have been Particularly serviceable in bringing Pepper from Laye & Manna we approve of your keeping her on the Coast but it must be a Standg. Rule with you not to detain them any further than they are absolutely necessary because the worm is very prejudicial to their Bottoms & the weather on your coast damages their Sails & Rigging very much besides the expence of wages, our honble Masters have often complained of the Charge their Vessells put them to & we can find out no better expedient to give them satisfaction than to keep them constantly employ'd in their service by which means they will be earning & occasion the accots. of them to be more pleasing.

If therefore the George whom we now send to you should be wanted for Manna we give you leave to keep her but you must not fail to return her to us in June or July next.

But with respect to Laye you may employ your [Sloop in] the early season to bring the Pepper from thence and [. . .] rains in that Country after the arrival the ship from [. . .] would [. . .] call for and take in when she returns [. . .].

We should have been glad to have found the other Sloop compleated which you say remains unfinish'd for want of Plank, we gave you our reasons why it was impracticable to send you any more on the Galley but by this ship you will have sufficient for the Purpose and we recommend to you to set her afloat as soon as possible that the hiring of Vessels may be laid aside.

Our Hoñble Masters we are perswaded will be satisfyed with your reasons for assisting the People belonging to the Dutch ship Wendela & supplying them with what was necessary for their subsistance the several steps taken in this affair we think have been done with Prudence especially the ascertaining the allowance to every Person monthly & the sending speedy advices to Batavia & the Dutch Settlements.

The late arrival of the Nassau with you prevented your dispatching her in time to save her Monsoon on this Coast & it is probable the Company may this year order another ship in the same manner we hope in such Case she will be earlier wth. you that you may be able to send her away so as to be here in good time, but as the winds are uncertain & the Passage may be tedious we would have you give directions to the Commander that in case he finds he is not likely to be here by the 1st. September at furthest which he will know by the time he has got the length of Zeloan, that in case he makes the best of his way to Bengall and there deliver the cargoe Consign'd following all such orders as shall be given him by the President & Councill there for his further Proceedings.

The Invoice & bill of Lading must therefore be put under a Seperate Cover directed to us but in case of his going to Bengall to be delivered there mentioning on the outside that it contains the invoice & bill of lading.

The Charges of the George & Galley being complained of we directed a Committee of our Board to examine the same who have declared in a report [that they] came to the following resolutions.

That in case the George or Madrass Galley are detained at any time on your Coast longer than while they are unlading or refitting you give the George credit 200 Pagodas ℔ Mensem and the Galley 140 keeping a head of affreightment of Ship George or Madrass Galley which head you must charge for the said allowance & discharge for the service performed.

That you keep a head of ship George or Madrass Galley & debt the same as often as there are any expences on their Account & at their departure pass the same to account Current Fort S^{t}. George sending us the Particulars in the Packet by the ship.

That the allowance to the Galley be 800 P^{s}. instead of 600 for each trip to your Place the other sum not being sufficient.

That the Freight of Private Goods be collected by the Sea Customer and Paid in with the Sea Customs.

Secondly Goods from Europe or Fort S^{t}. George

Whenever any wares or stores represented to be damaged either in the Godown or on board the ships some of the Councill should be appointed to inspect and report the same to the Board, this we find was omitted in relation to some Long Cloth sent ℔ Ship George though we observe an order made for the sale on that account but the Particulars of the Sale are not enter'd on your Consultations which you must take Care to do in future.

We would have you always keep a Quantity of white Long Cloth at Moco Moco for the Payment of what Pepper is brought to the scale there and to send on the ship that is to take on board the pepper at the Quallos of Bentall Triamong & Ippue some Bales extraordinary which if not made use of may be easily landed again on the Ships return to Marlbrough, it is not only just but decent that the Planters should be paid according to agreement and have no Occasion to complain of the Companys failing on their part in the agreement made between them the Sultan Complains [of M^{r}. Gee] in this [respect] but as he is now dead and th[eir] has [been an] enquiry made into that Part of his Behaviour we cannot tell how justly the accusation may be, however we hope to hear of no such Transactions hereafter & expect you will see our orders fully put in Execution in this respect, in which we cannot admitt of any excuse nor will we pass it by in any resident of Moco Moco as such Proceedings tend to destroy all confidence in the Company & may in the End prove most fatall to their Interest since with what face of Justice can it be demand^{d}. of the Natives to comply with their agreements if the agents of the Company are the first to violate their engagements.

We have consider'd the several Parphs. of your Letters and Consultations relating to the stores under the Charge of Mr. Lennox together with the Report he made to your Board concerning them in which we find a deficiency of Sundrys amountg. to $ 1387. 2. 98 & an over plus of $ 1504. 3 and as we are ready to beleive the reasons he therein assigns are just & that no Embezzlement has been made we have thought fit to discharge him of the same we conceive these irregularitys and confusion in the accot. of the Stores have happend partly from the different Persons who have acted under him in the delivery of the stores and sometimes unacquainted with the names of them and also the not writing of yearly what are decayed by rust Loss of weight delivery of Gunner & Armoury Stores for the Service of the Garrison & such like but more particularly the not comparing the account Remains with the General Books every year on the ballance which if done with care & exactness would set every article right & be a true standard to adjust all accounts by. This we expect will be a method you will put in practice in future in the several Employ's which will be a security to your selves as well as the Company.

The Stores received by the Nassau consisting of many Particulars is the reason you say they could not be throughly examind, and therefore you Could not advice the outturn this may be attended sometimes with ill consequences & therefore must not be done in future since the Company expect & require every Commander to be answerable for his Bill of Lading & if he is not Present at the examination he may with reason object to the complying with it but that is not all he is obliged to pay the difference at his consigned Port before he leaves it.

We have received the Silver & Pepper by the Nassau which came out right and we now send you by this Ship George twenty bales of Long Cloth & the Stores which the Galley Cou'd not take in to Compleat your Indent.

There was put ashore out of the Nassau at your Place by mistake a cask of hand saws which must be sent hither by the first opportunity.

Thirdly Investment.

Fourthly Country Government.

We read with great Pleasure that the Produce of the Country was so considerable as to enable you to send home so large a Quantity on the Lyell & that the Cumberland will have a full Lading besides the 120 Tons sent us by the Nassau we observe the increase is from a rack Soongey Munko Raja & Manna but that Soongey Etams Country Produces little or none occasion'd as we judge by the badness of the soil we therefore recommend to you to perswade as many of that country as possible to go into those Parts where they may be serviceable and the soil likely to favour their industry otherwise disappointment Poverty & Idleness with that Temper which is natural to Mallay Men will lead them to wickedness and very probably to give disturbance to some Parts under your Government and as we are of opinion it will contribute very much to the Increase of the Investment that you should be well acquainted with the Number of Plantations & their Condition we direct that the Survey's of each District be laid before the Board on the return of the Persons sent on that service & that a Committee be appointed to examine the same comparing it with the former one and reporting the state of it what improvements have been made where & who the planters are that have failed in their agreements, that such Persons be thereupon summon'd and examined & if judged necessary fined for their neglect & that proper Orders & Regulations be made thereon as may be required for the improvemt. of the Growth of Pepper & the Wellfare of the Country.

Mr. Greenslate our Pepper Godownkeeper has charged some white Pepper @ $ 20 ℔ Bahar which is the Price the Company have never before Paid therefore We cannot allow it the difference of that & the Companys stated Price must be demanded of him & we would have you discourage the making of white Pepper of the Malays think of selling it at a higher rate than the other.

We would have no advances of money made to the Pangarans or head men or any others to purchase Pepper in the Country since the Planters will thereby le

sufferers in not receiving the full produce of their pepper at the Company's Price we are glad to find only one instance as in Consultation of the 8th. Oct^{r}. & that you were sensible of the ill consequences of such advances in another of the [*lacunae*]

As to the 13½ Bahar of Pepper deficient at Moco Moco under M^{r}. Gee we can see no reason to allow the whole to be wrote off from any matter he has offer'd in y^{t}. behalf we have therefore agreed to allow the the 300 lost in regarbling after it was wet and such an allowance for waste & dust as has been customary in your Pepper Godowns & that the difference be paid the Company, do you therefore advise us by the first opportunity what you judge to be an equitable allowance that we may account with his trustees having kept part of the money sent them by Certificate to make good such deficiency.

In your next advise us of the Condition of the Coffee Plantation and what success is likely to be expected in that affair.

We are sorry to observe from Y^{r}. Acco^{ts}. that the Sugar & Arrack Plantation continues so great a Leak to our honble Masters Estate & that the numbers of Slaves sent thither has no way's answerd the expectation you gave us of its being Carried on to a better advantage to them in your General Books ending April 1735 we find for one year no more than 30 Leagers of Arrack & no Sugar & Dollars 1811. 3. 82 the Neat [*sic*] Loss that Year but you have omitted to give us any reasons for this great Loss which we expect from you we are fully convinced it must be for their Interest to drop this design after all the expence they have been at but as we now give our opinion to them in our General Letter ℔ Nassau we have determind to wait their answer in the mean time we direct that you put them to as little charge as possible either in the advances of money or in the maintaining any extraordinary Number of Slaves who can be employed elsewhere in their service and their Labour turn to better account.

You did well to send a Person to the 8 Dusans to enquire into the reasons of ye: Mallay's purchas^{s}. of Arms at Bencoolen a timely look out is necessary at all times amongst a People remarkable for treachery & whose submission & obedience are not to be depended on we would have you discourage the selling any arms to them & Caution all Command^{rs}. of ships to do the same in regard to the ill Consequence it may be to the settlement.

We are very much surprized at the behaviour of M^{r}. Gee resident of Moco Moco in banishing the Sultan of Anack Soongey's Brother without so much as acquainting you with the Crime he Stood accused of we suppose this was an act immediately preceeding his death but we don't observe any notice taken of it by you though it is a Part of a Letter of Complaint from the Sultan & therefore ought to have been taken into Consideration which we should have been pleased with because we beleive the Sultan would have been satisfyed with your determination relating to his brother however ill he might take the treatment from M^{r}. Gee your being silent in this affair leave us in the Dark & we must suppose you approved of what had been done or else surely you had interposed your Authority and recalled him however as we esteem it of the Greatest Consequence to the Wellfare of that Part of the Country that you should be on the best terms with the Sultan and that he be easy in all respects we direct that you make a Particular examination into this affair and give the Sultan full satisfaction herein since he says it was done Contrary to his inclination and advice to M^{r}. Gee and we are apt to think more by Arbitrary Power than any real Justice we Cannot leave this subject without observing to you how necessary it is to keep a Constant vigilant eye over the Behaviour of your Resid^{ts}. of Moco Moco least by their ill Conduct such Acts of Violence that Part of the Country which is now so flourishing should be brought into Trouble and Confusion we hope to here of no such instances in future or that you have failed to shew a Proper resentment on such occasions.

As the Correspondence with the Sultan is generally carried on by the Dep^{ty}. Gov^{r}. we recommend to him that in his Letters to him he assure him of his readiness to do him justice in any point in which he may think himself aggreived & that he will be supported in his rights & Priviledges we would have the Dep^{ty}. Gov^{r}. also

frequently put him in mind of encourageing the Pepper Plantations & learn from him what Progresses are made in them & of every thing that regards the wellfare of the Country.

FIFTHLY FORTIFICATIONS BUILDINGS REPAIRS AND REVENUES.

You omitted to send us a Calculate of the Cost of the Godown built for Rice nor is there any one enterd upon your Consultations so that we can make no Computation of what the Charge is to be, which should always be done before you begin any work of that Nature; this appears to us necessary but we Can see no reason for Building a new arrack Godown as there was one made on purpose on the N. E. Curtain and therefore that Expence we hope may be saved.

We find the expences at Laye for Build^{gs}. increases that there is now almost the whole year some Person kept there, if you esteem it necessary for the Company's Interest and that the Charge is defrayed by a Greater increase of Pepper we can have no objection but if this Point is not gained and the sending for the Pepper three or four times a year will answer the Purpose this expence might in some measure be lessen'd which you will consider of and advise us.

By the several Reports on the Surveys of the Buildings at Moco Moco we find they are almost wholly decayed (the house especially) our honble Masters have this year given leave to Build a Convenient Brick house for the Resident and to ascertain a sum for that expence, but as there has been any trial as yet of making bricks & Chinam at Moco Moco we Cannot make any Computation of the Cost of Such a Building, however as the house is absolutely necessary to be immediately set about we would have you employ such of your People and slaves who are used to that work in Preparing both Bricks and Chinam for the Purpose and lay the foundation according to a Plan inclosed & by the next Conveyance we shall send you over Doors & Window Frames Beams & Joices all of Teak ready squar'd & fitted this we have resolved on in order to hasten the building as it Can be done much quicker & Cheaper here & also to make it more lasting since all other Wood decays so fast as it would be a constant expence to keep in repair any building where the Country wood is made use of, we intend the walls to be all of brick & tyled on the top a Verando all round to keep out the sun & weather you will observe the house is to Consist of a hall & three rooms for the resident one room and Closet for the factor and the same for the Surgeon & two Warehouses for the Companys Peice Goods the finishing of which will we believe take up your time till there are further orders relating to the rest the Plan takes in the whole of the design except a Pepper Godown & Garbling shed which must be built without the Compound it not being proper to do that business within because of the number of People that attend it & who might take an opportunity to surprise the Gard which at best is but weak at that Place.

SIXTHLY COMPANYS SERVANTS AND MILITARY.

The Cloathing for the Soldiers shou'd always be deliverd the Paymaster by an order of Councill to the Warehousekeeper who is to Pay the amount into Cash & not to enter the names of the Centinels in the General Books, the Resident of Moco Moco must likewise account with the Comp^{y}. for what made use of there.

Your Charges of Garrison are encreasd last year $ 791. 19 the number of bugguesses particularly are larger than usual which we observe were taken in on the apprehension of some troubles but have not been discharged ever since as the Country is now represented to be in Peace we think a much lesser Number would be sufficient and therefore we would have them reduced to 40 Centinels and the Arrabs to 12 Centinels except you can employ some of them in the Sloops.

Lieutenant Amyand is arrived here & appointed to the Post the Company have directed.

M^{r}. Robert Lennox being now recovered takes his Passage on the George & having by private Letters been acquainted with M^{r}. Everests indisposition which may have obliged him to have left the Coast either for England or this Place, if he should be absent when this reaches you or be obliged on account of his illness to Come away we appoint M^{r}. Robert Lennox Deputy Gov^{r}. requiring all Persons to Obey him as such.

M^{r}. Lennox return^{s}. and M^{r}. Savage being come out of England again We have thought fit to station the Council in the following manner—

M^{r}. Lennox	Paymaster.
M^{r}. Savage	Resident of M Moco.
M^{r}. Greenslate	Account^{t}. & Storekeeper.
M. Rigg	Pepper Godownkeep^{r}. & Sea Customer.
M^{r}. Steward	Warehousekeeper.
M^{r}. Hawke's	Resid^{t}. of Sillebar.

and to continue M^{r}. Barbut Secretary whose behaviour is very Satisfactory to us.

We send on this ship three Europeans & seven Topasses as a recruit the supply designed you by the Nassau having ran away as we are inform'd when the ship was refitting after the accident she met with in the Downes the Topasses we would have sent to Moco Moco at which Place we would have always kept—

One Ensign
Two Serjeants
Two Corporals
Eight Europeans
Fourteen Topasses

and no more without an extraordinary occasion these Men have been advanced two months Pay Commencing 1st. Instant and a list of their names is enclos'd in the Packet.

We return you three of the Slaves who have been employed under our armourer carpenter & bricklayer we also send you eighteen slaves as ℔ List inclosd in the Packet the sums you are to credit it for them is set against their Names.

Seventhly Accounts.

We observe you have at length adjusted the advanture to laye & reduced the ballance to D^{s}. 109. 1. 18 which must be explained also.

In your books Letter M you debt Charges General to Sillebar Paggar $ 461. 1 for Garbling Pepper which swells that head whereas Pepper should be debted for all the Charge on it.

In the same Journal you Credit the Presidency D$^{ll's}$. 116. 2. 92 for old armory Stores Short deliver'd here p^{r}. George by profit & loss the arms should have been enquired for if not sent & must remain to be accounted for, Profit & loss being no proper head on this occasion.

The Expences on your Coast now amount to a large sum and well deserve your Particular care & inspection, to save what possibly can be done, This we recommend to you in a very earnest manner and hope you will take all opportunitys to convince our honble Masters herein that you have their interest at heart.

You must write of the Ballance of M^{r}. W^{m}. Oakers Estate to account Current Fort S^{t}. George.

Our accountant will send you an acco^{t}. of what Payments we have made here for your Settlement w^{ch}. you will take care to give us Credit for.

Supplement.

The uncertain situation of affairs in Europe has determind us to direct that when you dispatch this Vessell or any other to us you give the master Orders to avoid speaking with any ship at sea particularly near Zelone and that he passes Pondicherry in the night.

The same cause has induced us to give you liberty to draw bills on us for such sums as upon Good Reason you may judge necessary to carry on your business we mean in case by any accident you should be disappointed of the supply from England which considering the Present state of the Companys affairs upon the West Coast may be attended with very ill Consequences before we can have an opportunity to supply you from hence.

In the Packet comes Invoice and bill of lading for what Goods we now send you on the George on the Honble Companys account amounting to Pagodas 1432. 8. 15 and manifest of Goods licensed amounting to Pagodas 6581. 5. —.

We wish this ship safe to you and are
WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
THE 28TH. JANUARY 1735/36.

Your affectionate Friends & Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRAN^{S}. ROUS.
W^{M}. MONSON.
GEO. TORRIANO.

MANIFEST OF GOODS LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON BOARD THE GEORGE CAPT^{N}. JOHN TAYLOR COMMANDER FOR BENCOOLEN FOR THE UNDERMENTIONED PERSONS.

By M^{r}. AMYAND for Messrs. BARBUT & PICKARD.

	bales.						
C B P	2 q^{t}.	Curredaries	9	—	—		
		Pegu Chints	25	—	—		
		Betteelas	12	—	—		
		Pallampores	7	18	—		
		Handkerchiefs red ..	12	—	—		
		D°. Metchlepatam ..	5	—	—		
		Morees	13	—	—		
		Chints	5	—	—		
		Allejars red	116	—	—		
						204	18 —

By D°. for Mess^{rs}. SAVAGE PERRY COALES & PICKARD.

	Chest.						
S P	1 q^{t}.	Necessaries.					

By M^{r}. DOUGLAS for W^{M}. RIGG.

	bales.						
W R N°. 1 & 2	2 q^{t}.	Long Cloth Ordinary white.	52	18	—		
		Succatoons blue	40	—	—		
		Cambay's Madrass ..	32	—	—		
		Handkerchiefs Pulliacat ..	30	—	—		
		Morees Fine	20	—	—		
						174	18 —

By M^{r}. JOHNSON for Cap^{n}. JOHN WILLIAMS.

	bales.						
I W N°. 1 to 6	6 q^{t}.	Cambay's	105	—	—		
		Betteelas	49	—	—		
		Morees	12	—	—		
		Shirts	12	26	—		
		Curridaries	51	—	—		
		Slops	42	21	—		
		Long Cloth Ordinary ..	99	—	—		
		Allejars	87	30	—		
		Handkerchiefs Metchlepatam	17	18	—		
						476	23 —
		11 Bales & chests carried over Pag^{s}.				855	23 —

11 Bales and chests brought over Pagodas .. 855 23 —

By Mr. LENNOX for HIMSELF.

	Bales.							
R L								
No. 1 to 35	35 qt.	Long Cloth Ordinary	..	250	—	—		
		Syrashes Small	.. ..	33	—	—		
		Cambays Metchlepatam	..	20	—	—		
		Sallampores white	..	260	—	—		
		Burruan Cossaes	.. ..	100	—	—		
		Conche	.. .. ..	60	—	—		
		Cambay ordinary	..	36	—	—		
		Tappies Fort St. David	..	80	—	—		
		Maulda Cossaes	.. ..	50	—	—		
		Monpore Sanoes	.. ..	17	—	—		
		Bettelas Ordinary	..	20	—	—		
		Cambays blue	.. ..	52	—	—		
		Bugguesse Combays	..	60	—	—		
		Succatoon blue	.. ..	40	—	—		
		Cambays blue	.. ..	52	—	—		
		Do. brown	.. ..	60	—	—		
		Syrashes large	.. ..	40	—	—		
		Taffatys Bengall small	..	15	—	—		
		Handkerchiefs Metchle-patam	.. .. ..	36	—	—		
		Sallampores blue	.. ..	306	—	—		
		Long Cloth blue	.. ..	360	—	—		
		Cambays brown	.. ..	60	—	—		
		Betteelas blue	.. ..	90	—	—		
		Syrashes large	.. ..	50	—	—		
		Do. small	.. ..	35	—	—		
		Handkerchiefs	.. ..	20	—	—		
		Soosies	.. .. ..	20	—	—		
		Ginghams Ordinary	..	17	18	—		
		Hummums	.. ..	60	—	—		
		Betteelas white	.. ..	30	—	—		
		Handkerchiefs blue	..	30	—	—		
		Ophium 1 Chest	.. ..	80	—	—		
							2439	18 —

By Mr. MORSE for Messrs. PERREY and COALES.

	bales.							
I P								
No. 1 to 4	41 qt.	Sallampores white	..	110	—	—		
		Conchees	.. .. ..	20	—	—		
		Maulda Cossaes	.. ..	45	—	—		
		Cambays	.. .. ..	50	—	—		
		Gingham	.. .. ..	20	—	—		
		Taffatys	.. .. ..	50	—	—		
		Handkerchiefs	.. ..	45	—	—		
		Betteelas	.. ..	10	—	—		
							360	— —

By Do. for Mr. PAGE.

	bales.							
WP 1	1 qt.	Sallampores white	..	28	—	—		
		Cambays	.. .. ..	18	—	—		
		Handkerchiefs	.. ..	18	—	—		
		Syrashes	.. .. ..	12	—	—		
		Ditto	.. .. ..	7	—	—		
		Sallampores blue	.. ..	10	—	—		
		Long Cloth white	..	17	—	—		
							110	— —
		51 Bales & chests carried over	..				3765	5 —

51 Bales & chests brought over Pagodas 3765 5 —

By Do. for HAAG.

E H	bales.						
No. 1 to 2	2 q^{t}.	Conchees	25	—	—		
		Morees	20	—	—		
		Handkerchiefs	25	—	—		
		Long Cloth Blue	90	—	—		
						160	— —

By DITTO for M^{r}. SAVAGE.

I S	bales.						
No. 1 to 8	8 q^{t}.	Sallambores white ..	180	—	—		
		Ditto blue	60	—	—		
		Succatons blue	40	—	—		
		Cambays	180	—	—		
		Burrar Cossaes	90	—	—		
		Handkerchiefs	5	—	—		
		Long Cloth Blue	90	—	—		
						645	— —

By CAPTAIN TAYLOR for HIMSELF & OFFICERS.

T	bales.						
No. 1 to 18	18 q^{t}.	Long Cloth blue	365	—	—		
		Sallampores	323	—	—		
		Succatoons	186	—	—		
		Syrashes	216	—	—		
		Chints	148	—	—		
		Salampores	9	—	—		
		Small Buggueese Cambays.	192	—	—		
		Sallampores White ..	62	—	—		
		Long Cloth white ..	239	—	—		
		Large Cambays	100	—	—		
		Red Handkerchiefs ..	100	—	—		
		Cassumbuzar Chints ..	15	—	—		
		Coarse Gingham	16	—	—		
		Red Allejars	40	—	—		
						2011	— —
		79 Bales & chests amounting to Pag^{s}.				6581	5 —

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
THE 28TH. JANUARY 1735/6.

GEORGE TORRIANO
Secry.

No. 6

To CAPTAIN JOHN TAYLOR
COMMANDER OF SHIP GEORGE

SIR

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board and immediately set sail and make the best of your way to Fort Marlbro on the west Coast of Sumatra and on your arrival deliver the Goods you have on board & the Packet now given you to the Deputy Governour and Councill there to whom your Vessel goes Consigned & whose orders you are to follow for your future Proceedings we wish you a good Voyage and date this in Fort S^{t}. George the 28th : January 1735/6.

RICH^{D} : BENYON
&C^{o}.

No. 7

To Mr. Robert Lennox

Sir

Since closing the letter to the Deputy Govr: &c°. of fort Marlborough and Captain Taylors sailing orders we have thought fit to order him to touch at Moco Moco and to follow your directions there till you shall give him orders to proceed to Marlbrô the twenty bales of white long Cloth on board the George being for Moco Moco we would have them landed there We also hereby order & direct yt. during your stay at Moco Moco you inform yourself of the State and Condition of that Settlement and those parts of the Country and make a Report thereof to the Deputy Governour and Councill of Marlborough for which purpose we hereby, Constitute and appoint you Chief at Moco Moco during your stay there and do hereby order & direct Mr. Greenslate or any other Persons who may be Resident there and all other Persons to yeald due obedience to your orders.

We are

Sir

Fort St. George

January 28th. 1735/6.

Your loving freinds
Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
Wm. Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 8

To Captain John Taylor
of Ship George

Sir

Notwithstanding we have given you directions in your sailing orders to proceed directly for Fort Marlbrough we have since thought fit to order you to touch at Moco Moco and to follow all orders you shall receive there from Mr. Robert Lennox till such time as you shall receive his directions to proceed to Marlbrough Dated Fort St. George this twenty eight of Jany. 1735–6.

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augtus. Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 9

To the Hon Jno. Stackhouse Esqr.
Presid'. & Govr: &ca. Council of Fort William

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have recd. your severals by the George Godolphin & Sloop Mary with the Salt Petre Packs. Stuff &ca. according to the several Invoices wch Came therewith except four hundred bags of Salt Petre by the Godolphin wch. we are advised of by Mr. Margas the Captain had returned & were endorsed off the bills of Lading we

shall therefore expect one thous^{d} : bags more from y^{r}. Presidency that we desire you will take some effectual Care we are supplied wth. by the Vessels in March as we shall be in great want of it for our next Septem^{r}. Ship.

We indent for no more Gunneys till the latter season but we desire you will send us by the first Conveyance, one thous^{d}. Peices of thirty six Covid Gurrahs twenty five Candys of bale rope & ten Candys of Twine what we have as yet rec^{d}. not being sufficient for our use.

We desire the Gurrahs may be full Lengths these lately rec^{d}. being two & three Covids short as well as the Gunneys.

The Godolphin saild out of our road for England the 14th. Ins^{t}. the Nassau is at Fort S^{t}. David and will leave that Place the 2^{d}. or 3^{d}. of next Month.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JAN^{RY}. 29TH. 1735-6.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Most humble Servants
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUG^{TUS}. BURTON.
NICHOL^{AS} : MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

P.S. We have supplied this Sloop wth. 10¼ Inch Coyer Cable of 100 fathoms for w^{ch}. your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will please to Credit this Presidency Pagod^{s}. 34-24.

No. 10

TO M^{R}. CHRISTOPHER NICHOLSON
MASTER OF THE MARY BUOYER SLOOP

SIR

You are hereby requir'd forthwith to repair on board your Vessell & wind & weather permitting to make the best of your way to Calcutta in Bengal where you are to deliver the accompanying packet to the Presid^{t}. & Council whose orders you are to follow in your future Proceedings Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this twenty ninth Jan^{y}. 1735/6.

RICH^{D}. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUST^{US} : BURTON.
NICHO^{LAS} : MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 11

TO THE HON^{BLE} : JOHN HORNE ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. &c^{a}. COUNCIL OF BOMBAY

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since our last of the 24th. Dec^{r}. we are favour'd with yours of the 12th. Nov^{r}. the Rungpoor Silk we sent your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. ℔ the Jane had Layn by us sometime having no offer for it that was near prime Cost, & we proposed to the Gentlemen in Bengall to send it them back again, but they desired we would send it to Bombay giving us for reason that the Quantity they sent you from Bengall sold to very good Profit as we have recharged Bengall Presidency for it, when we sent it to you we desire you will give them Credit for the Produce when sold.

If the accounts we have from Canton may be depended on your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. will not be under much Difficulty either as to the sale of the Richmonds Gold or for silver in return we are told Gold was so dear in China that she has brought Ten thousand Pounds .with her in Silver if she wants ten thous^{d}. Pounds more we can supply her with it here having rec^{d}. that Quantity the Nassau from the West Coast.

The Godolphin sailed for England the 14th. Ins^{t}. the Nassau is filling up at Fort S^{t}. David & will sail from thence the 2^{d}. or 3^{d}. of next month.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your Most humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUG^{TUS} : BURTON.
NICHO^{LAS} : MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILL^{M} : MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JAN^{RY}. 29TH. 1735–6.

No. 12

TO THE WORSHIPF^{LL} : J^{S}. HUBBARD ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID

WORSHIP^{LL}. SIR & SIRS

This accompanies our Packet design'd for England by the Nassau the Loading of w^{ch} : ship being compleated you are to deliver to Captain Hutchinson together with the inclosed Letter for S^{t}. Helena & his Dispatch wherein you will observe room is left for the Deputy Gov^{r}. to sign & the Date to be fill'd when deliver'd.

We are
WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRS

Your aff^{te}. Friends and Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUG^{TUS} : BURTON.
NICHO^{LAS}. MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JAN^{RY}. 30TH. 1735/6.

No. 13

TO M^{R}. JOSEPH GODDARD

SIR

We have rec^{d} : yours Covering Duplicate Invoice & bill of Lading for bales sent us on the Trivilicane Ketch this is only to inclose invoice & bill of Lading for wares & Packing stuff we now send to your Place on the Sloop Maddapollam.

We are
SIR

Yours affe^{te}. Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUS^{TUS}. BURTON.
NICHO^{LAS}. MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
FEBRUARY 10TH. 1735-6.

No. 14

To JOHN SANDERSON ESQR.

SIR

Your letter of the 18th. Decr. by the George & one dated in January accompanying some Packing stuff put a shore from her & now sent us by a Country brigantine are both come to hand your account Current shall be Credited for the freight of it.

We are sorry to find the difficulties you met with in your investment when you first went down still continue but as we have already told you your Cloth comes out dearer than what we provide here & at Fort St. David even without including the annual Charge of your settlement we Cannot think of making any further allowances & you must keep strictly to the rules lately given you for recovering your Investment.

We approve of your entertaining Mr. Gibson in the room of Mr. Ringer & permitt you to make his sallary equal to the Surgeon at Fort St. David we will send you such Medicines as we Can spare by the first good opportunity.

What relates to your accounts in this Letter we shall take another opportunity to give you our remarks upon in the interim we Can only report our instances to you to be as frugall as possible & to use our utmost endeavours to procure us a Quantity of Good Cloth you shall be supplied with money.

We are

SIR

Your Affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGTUS. BURTON.
NICHOLAS. MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

FORT ST. GEORGE
FEBRUARY 14TH. 1735/6.

No. 15

To STEPHEN LAW ESQR.
CHEIF &C. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY

GENTLEMEN

We have received yours of the 28th. Jany: with Duplicate of one from the Presidt. & Council of Bombay the orginal of which came to hand the 20th. Inst. two Days before the receipt of yours we have agreable to the Purport of ym. sent you as Large a supply of men as our present Circumstances will admitt of we have upwards of twenty European now in the Hospital & many others very infirm which & the prospect of a war with France makes it impracticable for us to send you a greater reinforcement yn. what we now do by the Madrass Galley & Jenny Snow we have taken Care they should be pick'd men & we hope they will be of service, We have sent a Lieutenant & two Ensigns whom we hope you may depend upon in case of action as for Gunners we have nobody in the Place whose skill reaches beyond Loading & firing a Gun of wch. sort we suppose you have enough wth. you, If you keep the officers you will we hope Let the men we send you be form'd into a Compy. under their Commd. & as it has been represented to us, that provisions are scarce dear at Tellicherry we hope if it be so in reallity you will think of some means to make our recruits easy in that Point.

With regard to what you wrote about the Nabob of Arcott we shall endeavour to inform ourselves of the Influence he has over the King of Bednore or Canara & shall not fail to use our utmost endeavours to keep matters quiet if it be practicable but as in Case our Nabob has any influence over that Prince & should order him to let you alone, it is not to be doubted but the King will in order to justifie his Proceedgs. load you wth. every Article he possibly Can, we should be glad you would

inform us at Large of the reasons of your disputes with him & in particular of your right to the Island of Durmapatam w^ch^. to us seems to be the Principal if not the sole cause of your differences.

We have sent you all the Powder we Can spare & some of our best arms one of the Ensigns we send is our Master of arms & therefore we believe you may depend upon their being Good, we have streighten'd ourselves to send you this Quantity of Powder which we Could not have done but that the season of y^e^. Year permits us to make more. We have only to request you will dispatch the Vessells back as early as possible that they may be in no danger of the monsoon on your Coast.

We are

FORT S^T^. GEORGE — GENTLEMEN

26^TH^. FEBR^Y^. 1735/6. — Yours Very humble Servants

RICH^D^. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUS^TUS^. BURTON.
NICHO^S^. MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
W^M^. MONSON
GEO. TORRIANO.

No. 16

TO LIEUTEN^T^. EDW AMYAND
COMM^R^. OF THE FORCES D'SIG'ND FOR TELLICHERY

SIR

At the request of the President & Council of Bombay we have thought fit to send 34 men under your Command to Tellicherry on the Madrass Galley & 34 on the Jenny Snow while on board you are to keep a strict discipline to prevent Quarrels & mutiny, we have put provisions & arms on board for your men, the former we expect you to see delivered out regularly & in due Quantity and the Latter you must take care be well secur'd from the People Least they should be tempted to rise upon you, if they had arms, you will take Care always to have some in readiness in the Cabin or some other secure Place for y^r^. self & the officers in Case of any disturbance.

When you arrive at Tellicherry you are to follow all such orders as you shall receive in writing from the Chief & Council there till they send you back again.

We are

FORT S^T^. GEORGE — SIR

26^TH^. FEB^RY^. 1735-6 — Your very good friends

RICH^D^. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUG^TUS^. BURTON.
NIC^S^. MORSE.
FRAN^S^. ROUS.
W^M^. MONSON.
GEO. TORRIANO.

No. 17

TO ENSIGN THOM^S^. HOME

SIR

We have sent 68 men on the Madrass Galley & Jenny Snow under the Comm^d^. of Lieuten^t^. Amyand to Tellicherry He goes on the Galley & we have thought fit that you proceed on the Snow with 330 of the men & we expect from you that you take Care to prevent any disturbance on board the arms we send with you must be secured from the men only a few you must keep in readiness for yourself & the other officers in Case of Mutiny on board we have put provisions for the People on board w^ch^. you will see are deliverd out in due Quantity & regularly to your People.

While the two Vessells keep company you must follow such orders as you shall receive from Mr. Amyand if you part you must take Care of your own People as necessity requires & when you arrive at Tellicherry you are to obey the orders of the Cheif & Council there or of your superiour officers. We are,

SIR

Your Very Good Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS: BURTON.
NICHOS. MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WM. MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

FORT ST. GEORGE.
26TH. FEBRUARY 1735/6.

No. 18

To CAPTAIN SAMUEL HEPBURN
COMMANDR. OF THE MADRAS GALLEY

SIR

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board your Vessell & when Lieutenant Amyand Ensign Forbes & thirty three men are on board you are to weigh your anchor & make the best of your way to Tellicherry on the Malabar Coast the tract you are to pursue in order to gain your Passage we leave to your self but recommend to you to get thither at all events, The necessity of the service you are sent upon is such That your performing it will be the best means of recommending yourself to the Company & to us.

We have put thirty Barrels of Powder & fire-arms on board which you will take Care be well secured from the soldiers Least if they had arms they should be tempted to Mutiny.

We have also put provisions on board for them wch. must be deliver'd out without any wast regularly every day, keep some good arms ready for your self & the other officers in the Cabin or some other secure Place in case of any disturbance from the People, & when you return if the Season be not to far advanced call at Anjengo where you may Perhaps have intelligence of war being declared between England and France in which Case you must avoid coming in sight off Pondicherry we wish you a good Voyage & date this in fort St. George this 26th. day of February 1735–6.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 19

To CAPTN. GEORGE JONES
COMMANDR. OF THE JENNY SNOW

SIR

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board your Vessell and when Ensign Horne & thirty three men are on board you are to weigh your Anchor & make the best of your way to Tellicherry on the Malabar Coast the tract you are to pursue in order to gain yr. Passage we leave to yr. self to recommend to you to get thither at all events the necessity of the service you are sent upon is such that your performing it will be the best means of recommens: yr. self to the Company & to us.

We have put thirty barrels of powder and fire-arms on board which you will take Care be [well]secured from the soldiers least if they had arms they should be tempted to mutiny, We have also put provisions on board for y^{m} : which must be delivered out without any wast regularly every day. Keep some good arms ready for yourself & the other officers in the Cabin or some other secure Place in Case of any disturbance from the People and when you return if the season be not to farr advanced Call at Anjengo where you may Perhaps have Intelligence of War being declared between England & France in which Case you must avoid coming in sight of Pondicherry We wish you a good Voyage & date this in Fort S^{t}. George this 26th. day of February 1735–6.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 20

TO THE HON. JN^{O}. STACKHOUSE ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF
FORT WILLIAM

HON. SIR & SIRS

The foregoing is duplicate of what we wrote your hon^{r}. &c . by the Mary Bouyer we have since received your favour of 21st. January by the William Sloop that arrived the 20th. of last month the Salt Petre & Stores sent us on her turned out agreable to Invoice.

We now return her to your hon^{r}. &ca. but have orderd the Master in his way to set our Resident ashore at Ingeram Inclosd is an account of Stores supplied her here.

The Nassau sailed from Fort S^{t}. David the 5th. Ultimo.

We are sorry to acquaint your hon^{r}. &c^{a}. that a few days since we received a letter from the President & Councill of Bombay bearing date 15th. January wherein they advice us that our Honble Masters ship Darby bound thither from England was taken about the 26th. or 27th. of Dec^{r}. last by five of Sambajee Angria's Grabs & Carried into his Port of Southerndrook that her Masts were very soon shot away after which the Ship was given up without any resistance for further Particulars we referr your honour &c^{a}. to the enclosed Parth. from them.

With this we send your hon^{r}. &c^{a}. a Packet for your Presidency from S^{t}. Helena that was brought to the West Coast by the Duke of Cumberland when that ship left the Island the Hertford & Princess Royall were not arrived there from the Bay nor the Middlesex from Bombay.

We are
HON. SIR AND SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
MARCH THE 5TH. 1735–6.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
AUGUS^{TUS}. BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 21.

To Mr: Philip Parsons
Master of the Sloop William

Sir

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board your Vessel & make the best of your way to Ingeram from whence after you have set Mr. Graham our Resident ashore there you are to proceed to Calcutta where you are to deliver the accompanying Packets to the President and Council there whose orders you are to follow for yr. future Proceedings Dated in Fort St. George this 5th. of March 1735–6.

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
Willm. Monson.
Geo: Torriano.

No. 22.

To Stephen Law Esqr.
Cheif &ca. Factors at Tellicherry

Gentlemen

We wrote you the 26th. Ulto. by ye. Madrass Galley & Jenny Snow on which Vessells we have sent you a recruit of Sixty six men under the Command of Lieutenant & two Ensigns & a supply of Arms and Powder we now enclose Copy of the said Letter together wth. the accot. of everything that went on those Vessels the amount of the Charge we shall Pass to the debit of account Currt. Bombay.

Agreable to our Promise in the aforenam'd Letter we have applied to our Nabob for his order to the Rajah of Bednore to which we have received for answer that the Nabob has no Correspondence with him but one of his Principal Ministers has sent us two Letters one for the Rajah the other for his General, You have them both inclos'd wth: Translates of them for yr. Perusal. You will Consider whether (as they are only recommendations & Consequently have not the force of Possitive Orders) the delivering of them may not be attended wth: bad Consequences & this application be looked upon as a sign that you are diffident of your own force & have therefore used this method to secure yr. selves from the Rajah's arm & you will Consider whether this or more vigorous measures are most proper to obtain a Good Peace. We are

Gentlemen

Your very humble Servants

Fort St. George
March 5th 1735–6

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
Willm. Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 23

To Mr. John Graham
Resident at Ingeram

Sir

The William Sloop being now bound to Bengall we have order'd the Master to Call at Ingeram & we therefore direct you to go on her thither.

We deliver you herewith the acco^{t}. of y^{e}. sortment of the Cloth rec^{d}. from you this year by the Perusal of it you will observe it by no means comes up to what it ought to be & we must insist on your mend^{s}. your hand or we must be obliged to Change hands, In Particular we recommend to you to keep up to the Lengths & breadths, to provide a Larger proportion of the higher Numbers & to take more Care of the washing & Curing it.

Another thing we possitively require is that the Maddapollam Debts be Clear'd before the Close of your next Books they have been much too Long unrec^{d}. & we Cannot suffer them to stand out any Longer you must not Provide any Izzarees this Year. We wish you well down And are

Sir

Your Affectionate Friends

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
James Hubbard.
Augus^{tus}: Burton.
Nicho^{las}. Morse.
Francis Rous.
W$_{m}$. Monson.
Geo: Torriano.

Fort S^{t}. George
March 5th 1735/6.

No. 24

To the Worsh^{ll}: James Hubbard Esq^{r}.
Deputy Gov^{r}. &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David

Worship^{ll}. Sir & Sirs

I am orderd to advice you that tomorrow evening will be sent you overland a supply of twenty thous^{d}. Pag^{s}. which you will Please to order your Peons to meet.

I am

Worsh^{ll}. S^{r}. & S^{rs}.
Your Most humble Servant

John Savage.
Sub Secr^{y}.

Fort S^{t}. George
the 12th March 1735/6.

No. 25

To the Worsh^{ll}. J^{s}. Hubbard Esq$_{r}$.
Deputy Gov^{r}. & Councill of Fort S^{t} David

Worsh^{ll}. Sir & Sirs

Agreable to advice given you yesterday by your Sub Secretary this accompanies twenty thousand Pag : under the Charge of thirty Peons. We are

Worsh^{ll}: Sir & Sirs
Your aff^{te}: Friends and Servants

Rich$_{d}$. Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Ruos.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

Fort S^{t}. George
13th. of March 1735/6

No. 26

To the Worshll. Ja: Hubbard Esqr.
Deputy: Govr: &ca. Councill of Fort St. David

Worshll Sr: & Srs

Our Last of the 13th. Carried you a supply of Cash when you return us the Peons that accompanied it we would have you draw out & send us up in Company with ym. twenty of your Europeans to recruit this Garrison.

Fort St. George
15th: March 1735–6

We are
Worshipll Sir & Sirs

Your affectionate Friends and Servants
Richd. Benyon &ca.

No. 27

To the Worshll Jas: Hubbard Esqr:
Deptv: Govr. &ca. Councill of Fort St. David

Worshll. Sir & Sirs

We have heard by advices from Bengall which we beleive may be depended on that one Mr. Duggood who went from Manilha to Suratt last year, & from thence to Bengall is Coming to Porto Novo to take in Goods for Manilha & has obtained a Pass from the President & Councill of Bengall permitting him so to do as such Proceeding is directly Contrary to the orders we have this Year recd. from the Honble Court of Directors whereby our ships are expressly prohibited importing at any Moors Port in this coast we think it incumbent on us to send Mr. Duggood orders to repair to some English Port as soon therefore as he arrives at Porto Novo Send one of your Councill & another Companys Servt. to him to deliver him in writing orders to that effect, if he regards ym: 'tis well but if not you are to give him a second order forbidds. him to take in any Piece Goods of the sorts which the Company usually trade in, if he disreguards both or either of these orders you must protest against him in form & deliver the Protest to him before witnesses. We are

Worshll Sir & Sirs

Your affectionate Friends & Servants
Richd. Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus: Burton.
Nicholas: Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

Fort St. George
23d: March 1735–6

No. 28

To the Worshll: Jas: Hubbard Esqr:
Deptv. Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. David

Worshll Sir & Sirs

We have not hitherto replied to your annual Letter to this Place nor that to the Honble Court of Directors by the Nassau that Came wth: your Deptv: Govr. nor these of the 17th. last month 1st. & 18th. Inst. partly on account of his Coming up hither & partly because as we find yr. Contract pretty high Compleated we were desireous of hearing from you on his return what Proposals your Merchts. make towards a new one wch: we hope as we have not yet recd: them you will send us very speedily on this occasion we Cannot but remark that under letter to the Company you tell them that you have hopes of succeeding in your endeavours to Engage some Persons of substance to be security for such sums as may be advanced the Weavers if you do succeed we shall expect that the 2000 pagodas subscribed by your inhabitants be made good agreable to their subscriptions but if you Cannot we are not at all inclin'd to oblige them to pay the money where there is reason to believe it will be Lost.

We observe in your Acco^{t}. remains a Parcell of Soldiers Coats & Caps which have Lain in your Godowns some years & we are apt to believe they are not in being or else they would we suppose e'er (*sic*) now have been deliverd the Military at the usual time of Cloathing them advise us whether you have them & what Condition they are in.

With regard to Sadashavarous Petition about the Wind mill We permitt him to resign that Part of his Cowle for the remaining two years & would have you putt down the mill & dispose of the Materials as well as you Can.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
27TH. MARCH 1735–6

We are
WORSHIPFULL S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

Your affectionate F^{ds}. & Servants
RICHARD BENYON &C^{A}.

No. 29

To JOHN SANDERSON ESQ^{R}

SIR

Yours of the 3^{d}: February & 5th. Ult^{o}. Came duely to hand the first Complaining of the Difficulties you met with in your investment, to which we have nothing to reply but since your other Letter advises us those difficulties are at an end & gives us hopes (which we shall be glad to find are well grounded) of having a larger Quantity of Cloth this season from you than we have receiv'd of Late we inclose the accounts of the Cloth ℔ Madras Galley & George. We are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.
APRIL Y^{E}. 3^{D}. 1736.

SIR

Your Affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHO^{LAS}: MORSE.
FRAN^{CIS} ROUS.
WILLI^{AM}: MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 30

To M^{R}. JOHN GRAHAM

SIR

We have yours of the 18th. Ultimo advising your arrival & observe therein your promise to get in the Maddapollam Debts before the end of the year.

We had a Letter from Mr: Goddard telling us that M^{r}. Sanderson's not sending him money in your absence had prevented your Merch^{ts}. bringing any Cloth but as that impediment necessarily Ceas'd on your arrival we hope to receive from you a Large Quantity of Cloth agreable to the directions given you when you [were here.]

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.
3$_{D}$. APRIL 1736.

We are
SIR

Your Affection[ate Friends]
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
[&c^{a}.]

N°. 31

To the Worsh^ll^: Ja^s^. Hubbard Esq^r^.
Dep^ty^. Gov^r^. &c^a^. Counc^l^. of Fort S^t^. David

Worsh^ll^ Sir & Sirs

We have two from you unanswer'd dated 2^d^. & 3^d^. Inst. with a Postcript to the duplicate of the latter the bales by the Ramah are arrived for the stores indented for we have neither wood oyl or linseed oyl on hand as for Salt Petre we have so little by us that we Cant think of sending any down till you Lett us know what necessity there is first as for nails we will send y^m^: when you tell us what Quantity of each sort you want.

On Looking over your Last Cash account we Cannot find your Merch^ts^: have Pai^d^ in any Part of their Ballances & by your List of Cloth on hand we observe they bring in none w^ch^. Conduct we can by no means allow. We had rather they should bring Cloth than Pay in the money but we expect they do the one or the other we are very will^g^. to Leave the money with y^m^. if they will engage in a new Contract but they must not expect to keep it any Longer if they dont.

This Leads us to another remark relating to your Washers well may you Complain they leave you since it is Plain they are not supplied with Cloth to keep them employed and they must Consequently go away to seek a livelyhood elsewhere or starve. Your Merch^ts^. Complaints of their taring the Cloth & stealing the Conjee for not giving them full employm^t^. this is another very strong reason why we Insist on their bringing in Cloth or Clearing their acco^ts^. w^th^. you.

As to the affair of the Soldiers Coats and Caps you must keep them on the books till we have orders from our Hoñble Masters about them, In the interim let us know whether they are not upon some Body's accounts remains as well as in the general Books & Let every article of the Ballance of your Books ending this month except the Buildings be deliver'd into the Charge of some one or other of your Council & Let him Sign an acknowledgement that they are under his Charge to be kept in a book for that Purpose & let an account remains thereof be annually sign'd at the Closing of your books by the Persons under whose Care they are put & regulate the ballance of your books thereby.

Fort S^t^. George
9^th^. April 1736.

We are
Worsh^ll^ Sir & Sirs
Your aff^te^. Friends and Servants
Rich^d^. Benyon.
Randa^ll^. Fowke.
Aug^tus^. Burton.
Nicho^las^. Morse.
Fran^cis^. Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 32

To the Hon^ble^. Jn^o^: Stackhouse Esq^r^.
President & Gov^r^. of Fort William &c^a^. Coun^l^.

Hon^ble^ Sir & Sirs

The 5^th^. Inst. the Cassimbuzar Sloop brought us your severals of the 28^th^. ffebr^y^. and 1^st^. of March, together w^th^. the Salt Petre as ℔ Invoice therewith The Countrey Governm^t^. have been so pressing with us to supply them with a Quantity of Salt Petre that we Could not avoid letting them have it, for which reason we must desire

you will send us, by the first good ship that Comes up in Augst. Six or Seven Hundred Bags which will probably arrive in time for our Sep^{r}. Ship otherwise we shall not be able to supply her with the fifty Tons we are order'd to Lade on her over & above her Charterparty Kintlage if the Cap^{n}. should Request it.

You will please to give [this] Presidency Credit for Pag^{s}. 1.17. more than the P^{s}. 34.24 mentioned in our last being for water & boathire on the Cable sent on board the sloop Mary.

We have supplied this sloop with one Europe & one Coir Cable the Cost of which & some other of the Masters Expences we shall advise by the next Conveyance.

We are

HON^{BLE}. S^{R}. & SIRS

Your Most humble Servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
APRIL THE 10TH: 1736.

RICH^{D}. BENYON.
RAND^{LL}. FOWKE.
AUG^{TU}. BURTON.
NICHO^{LAS}. MORSE.
FRAN^{CIS}: ROUS.
WILL^{M}. MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 33

TO M^{R}. CHRIST^{R}. NICOLSON
MASTER OF THE CASSIMBUZAR SLOOP

SIR

You are hereby required forthwith to repair on board your Vessell & Wind & Weather permitting to make the best of your way to Calcutta in Bengall where you are to deliver the accompanying Letter to the Presid^{t}. & Council whose orders you are to follow for your future Proceedings Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this tenth day of April 1736.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHO^{LAS}: MORSE.
FRAN^{CIS}. ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 34

TO THE WORSH^{LL}. JAMES HUBBARD ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID &C^{A}. COUNCIL

WORSH^{LL} SIR & SIRS

Since our last we have recived the Cloth sent us by the Rammah & are sorry to observe that almost the whole Quantity is sorted to N^{o}. 3 and 4 from which we Conclude it is a Resortment of what was turned out before the Nassau was dispatch'd. If this Quantity was kept back to give a better lustre to the Cargo of that ship it

may for so far answer, but sure we are it will be no Creditt to the Investment of this Year. Upon making your last Contract only the N°. 1 & 2 Salem was agreed for, & great Care was promis'd that the whole should prove a little inferior your Merchants were promised it should be taken into N°. 3 doubtless it was the intent & meaning of that Contract that the Major part should be of the two first Numbers, but how much they have fail'd in that Particular does evidently appear by the great Quantity brought in to N°. 3 the receiving of which was soon followed by another request that we would permitt the turned out Cloth to be resorted & such of it as should prove good enough might be taken into a N°. 4 You told us at that time the whole Quantity turnd out was not more then about fifty five Bales, and as it was some time before we consented to it, & then only at their repeated desire telling you at the same time we had so long deferrd it in hopes we should have heard no more of it. It might have been sufficient to have Convinced you w^th^. what reluctance we Came unto it and how averse we were to any of that N°. and thô we were told at first the Quantity was but 45 Bales or thereabouts we find it so much encreased since that 115 Bales were sent on the Nassau 29 up hither on the Mary [& 13] more on the Ramah how much besides you have taken in scince we are yet to know, but as it seems to us your Merch^ts^. are in no disposition to give us good Cloth when we pay them so much for bad, and since so ill an use has been made of our indulgence we tell you once for all that we will not for the future admitt of a N°. 4 in any of your Contracts or receive any more on the Last than w^t^. is already Embaled being under no obligation so to do our former promise being only upon your representation that the whole Quantity would not exceed forty five Bales.

We come next to speak of Andiapas Cloth of the [167] Bales w^ch^. we rec^d^. by the Mary & Ramma that were measured & we suppose sorted with you we have turn'd out 40 Bales here & should have rejected a great deal more that will barely Come up to the lower Numbers, but his Agents here scrupled to take any back alledging it to have been sorted & excepted before by the Companys Servants it is true you may urge that our order of the 10^th^. Nov^r^. last night admitt of a doubt whether it was to Extend further than such Part of it as was to be Cured with you but even So far as that no proper Care was taken since the Last parcell sent us that was wash'd by you sorted only one bale to N°. 1 Eight N°. 2 twenty eight N°. 3 and 25 Bles N°. 4 besides which we have an acco^t^. from Andiapas Gomastas that you have 48 Corge ps 13 of his Cloth that you have turnd out after it was wash'd & being so falls upon y^e^. comp^y^: so that by this sort of Management the Porto Novo Investm^t^. that used to be the best & most Valuable is now become the worst & most heavy upon us you were told in our said Letter of 10^th^. Nov^r^. that when his Cloth is wash'd it is by agreement with him to be the Companys & therefore when you observ'd it turn so very bad upon sorting it brown if it was sorted at all Certainly you ought to have represented it to us & this might have ooccurr'd to you upon the bare Consideration of the price you knew we were to give for it & that we were not to pay him for it by numbers but one with another all at the same Price and this also thô you had no musters to guide you w^ch^. you might soon have had upon sending for from hence however that you may not Complain of that want hereafter we send you by the Tappy's Two Musters part of those he sent us & what he gave us his Promise then all or most of his Cloth should Come up to.

We wrote you in our last that we rather Choose your Merchants shou'd make good their ballances in Cloth than Money which we again Confirm & if they give you any good assurances of that they will have a reasonable time allowed them but when you are discourseing them upon a new Contract you will be in the Wrong if you give them any hopes of a higher Price for the Salem Cloth because we cannot consent to it without some better Reason than any we have heard yet our Merchants provide that Cloth at the same Places Yours do, & must Consequently Cost them more by the greater distance and an additional Charge of Juncan yet we allow our Merchants no higher Prices than we do Yours nor have they once desird any of it to be sorted to a N°. 4.

We shall supply you with what Quantity of Salt Petre you want by the next Sea Conveyance.

And are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
APRIL 19TH. 1736.

WORSH^{LL}: SIR & SIRS

Your Affectionate F^{ds}. & Servants
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
RANDA^{LL}. FOWKE.
AUGUS^{S}. BURTON.
NICHO^{S}. MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 35

TO THE WORSH^{LL}: JAMES HUBBARD ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOV^{R}: &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID

WORSH^{LL}. S^{R}. & SIRS

Yours of the 27th. Ult^{o}. Came duely to hand Containing excuses in answer to our Complaints of the badness of the Cloth lately rec^{d}. from you & your Merchants proposals for a new Contract as to the first it will be needless to enter into a further discussion of that affair since what is passed Cannot be recalled what we said on that subject in our Last Letter was principally with intention to engage your Merch^{ts}. to an amendment for we have too great a Confidence in you all and particularly your Deputy Governour to beleave you were led to give them greater Indulgence than were Consistent with the Company's Interest by any other motive than a too ready beleife of what they were not ashamed to assert together with Confidence of the hardships they met with thô in reallity they had no foundation for their Complaints.

As to Andiapas Cloth we desire that when any of it in future is to be examin'd you will think it incumbent on you to be all present at the doing it & not Leave it to M^{r}. Harris of whose judgement we have so just reason to Complain.

In answer to your Merch^{ts}. proposals for a new Contract we are to say y^{t}. we have made our Contract here on the same terms as last year & as it is beyond Contradiction plain that our Merch^{ts}: are at greater Charge in bringing Cloth to us than yours are to get it to you we Can by no means Consent to any advance of the prices of the Last Year and when you Come to make a Contract we think it necessary to give you this Caution that the proportion in y^{e}. prices between the different Numbers of the Sallem Cloth is not three ℔ Cent whereas any indifferent person on first view will see that the inferior Numbers are vastly worse y^{n}. that proportion & we take the indulgence of a N^{o}. 3 & 4 the last Year to be the reason why Your Merch^{ts}. do not offer to provide any ordinary Cloth now because they have a better price for the N^{o}: 3 & 4 Sallem than for N^{o}. 1 Ord^{y}. thô: the latter if agreable to Muster is apparently a better Cloth it may not perhaps be so weighty but that is not the only thing required to make a good Cloth were we not Convinced you have too much regard for us to allow yourselves to banter with us we should take as such your repeating those Idle and Trifleing arguments your Merchants make use of and which we find at the end of your Letter in order to obtain an advance on the Prices of Last Year [but] as we beleive you are far from that way of think^{g}. We only remark that it Confirms w^{t}. we say in the beginning of this letter of your being to apt to believe whatever they do not want assurance to tell you.

Upon the whole our Merchants here can afford to Contract at the prices of last Year & we are therefore assured yours may & hope to hear by your answer to y^{s}. that they have you must provide only sixty six bales of blue Cloth & we Expect some Ord^{ry}. as well as Sallem.

We have not yet determin'd whether we shall make any or what allowance to your Washers but we believe our next will Carry you directions relat^{e}. to y^{t}. Article.

We are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
MAY THE 10TH. 1736.

WORSH^{LL}. S^{R}: & SIRS
Your Aff^{te}. Friends & Serv^{ts}.
RICH^{D} BENYON.
RAND^{LL}. FOWKE.
AUGUS^{TUS}. BURTON.
NICHO^{LAS} MORSE.
FRAN^{S}. ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 36

TO THE HOÑBLE JOHN STACKHOUSE ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOV^{R}. OF FORT WILLIAM &C^{A}. COUN^{L}.

HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS

By the Elizabeth Cap^{n}. Andrew Sheppard we send you ten Chests of Silver on account of our hoñble Masters as p^{r}. Invoice & bill of Lading inclos'd we should have sent it to you earlier in the season had we not been under a necessity in keeping it by us to supply the Richmond in Case she had been sent round from Bombay hither but as we have just received advise from thence y^{t}. that ship will not Call hither have taken the opportunity of the Elizabeths going down to send it to you, we have given M^{r}. Williamson a letter directed to the Masters of any of the Companys Sloops he may meet with in Ballasore road directing them to attend him up & to receive what treasure he may put on board them. This we thought necessary because we immagine your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. not being apprised of our intention to send you a supply of Treasure, may not have given any orders to the Sloops relating thereto. We have nothing else to add but that We are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
18TH. OF MAY 1736.

HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Most humble Serv^{ts}.
RICH^{D}. BENYON.
RAND^{LL}. FOWKE.
AUGUS^{TUS}. BURTON.
NICHO^{LAS} MORSE.
FRAN^{CIS}. ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 37

TO M^{R}. GEORGE WILLIAMSON
SUPRACARGO OF THE ELIZABETH

SIR

Having put on board your Ship ten Chests of Treasure for account & risque of the Honble English East India Company Consign'd free of freight by agreement with you to the Hoñble Presid^{t}. & Council of Fort William we direct that when the Company's Sloops take Charge of your ship to Carry her up the River you put if you have but one Sloop half the treasure on board her, if two then one third part on

each keeping the remainder on board unless you should receive other directions from the Presidt & Council there, we herewth. deliver you orders to the masters of the sloops to this Purpose.

We are

SIR

FORT ST. GEORGE
18TH. OF MAY 1736.

Your affectionate friends & Servants
RICHD. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 38

TO THE MASTERS OF ANY OF THE COMPANYS SLOOPS WHO MAY MEET WTH. THE ELIZABETH IN BALLASORE ROAD

SIR

As we believe the Honble the Preside, and Council of Fort William may not be appris'd of our intention to send them any Treasure on this ship for accot. of the Honble. Company, We imagine they may not have given you orders to attend her up. We therefore hereby direct you to take Charge of the said ship and to receive what Treasure Mr. Williamson shall put on board you for account the Honble Company

We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

SIR

18TH. OF MAY 1736.

Your affectionate friends
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 39

TO MR. DUMAS. GOVR.
& THE GENTLEMEN OF THE SUPERIOR
COUNL. AT PONDICHERRY

GENTLEMEN

Having recd. Intelligence from the Presidt. & Coun^{l}. of Bombay that Henry Lowther Esqr. late Cheif of Suratt is Considerably indebted to the English East India Company & is escaped from thence to avoid coming to any accot. with his Superiours at Bombay & hearing that the said Henry Lowther Esqr. is now with you we find ourselves obliged to desire you will deliver him to the Persons whom our

Dep^{ty}. Gov^{r}. & Coun^{l}. of Fort S^{t}. David send with this Letter to receive him. In the like Case we shall not fail to act in the same manner. We have the Honour to be with great Esteem

GENTLEMEN

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
18TH. OF MAY 1736.

Your Most humble and
Obedient Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 40

TO THE WORSH^{LL}. JA^{S}. HUBBARD ESQ^{R}.
DEP^{Y}. GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUN^{L}. OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID

WORSH^{LL}. SIR AND SIRS

We this day in Consultation agreed to allow our Washers an advance of four fan^{s}. 4 per Corge for washing the Companys Long Cloth & two 2 fan^{s}. per Corge for the Sallampores which advance we have also agreed to allow to your People at Fort S^{t}. David, you must let them know if they expect a Continuance of this additional allowance they must deserve it by being more Carefull in the Washing than they were the Last Season.

Send up what white Cloth you have of Andiapa's turned out on resorting by the next Conveyance as well as what Cloth you have taken in whether white or brown.

We inclose you a letter to the Gov^{r}. & Coun^{l}. of Pondicherry to demand M^{r}. Lowther you must send an Ensign and twelve men to accompany it.

We are

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRS

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
18TH. of MAY 1736.

Your affectionate Friends &
Serv^{ts}.
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 41

TO HENRY LOWTHER ESQ^{R}.
AT PONDICHERRY

SIR

The Presid^{t}. & Council of this Place have rec^{d}. your letter of the 21st. Ins^{t}. dated at Pondicherry requesting a passage upon one of our honble Masters ships to England & Security for your person, while you shall Continue here, these requests they are willing to Comply with but as when they have given you such promise they are tyed up & Cannot on any acco^{t}. deviate from such promise they Judge it would be esteem'd a weakness in them should they not require some security on your side for your performance of the part of your agreement which is the Inducement to them to grant the other, that is that you give such security as shall be thought reasonable

for your appearing before our Honble Masters in England there to answer to such matters as shall be Charged upon you & then the Presidt. & Council will permitt you to return to England on one of the Companys ships & to remain in Madrass in full security till their departure. I am with great Respect

Sir

Fort St. George
25th. May 1736.

Your Most Obedt. Humble
Servant
George Torriano,
Secretary.

No. 42

To the Worshll. Jas. Hubbard Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ca. Counl. of Fort St. David

Worshll Sir & Sirs

We have yours of the 17th. Inst before us wherein you tell us your Merchts. insist on an advance on the last year prizes for the other sorts of Cloth if they are not Indulged in a larger Quantity of blue Cloth than Sixty six bales to this we answer Blue Cloth is prohibited in England & therefore we Can by no means venture to Enlarge our Contract for that species beyond what indented for which to be sure is as much as is wanted in England for foreign Marketts & therefore we Cannot Comply with what your Merchts. desire as to the advance in the prices we have said enough of it already to Convince you that it Cannot be done what you mention about the Washing our last will have told you we have Complyed with since therefore we have made all such allowances as we think reasonable we expect to find your Merchts: make no more disputes.

We have recd. a letter from the Governour & Council of Pondicherry wherein they seem to Insist on granting the protection of their flag to Mr. Lowther you will therefore write a few Lines to them to desire them to return your People.

We are
Worshll Sir & Sirs
Your affectionate Friends & Servts.
Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

Fort St. George
25th. May 1736.

No. 43

To the Worshll James Hubbard Esqr
Deputy Govr. &ca.
Council of Fort St. David

Worshipfull Sir & Sirs

We have received yours of the 24th. Instant & inclose the Invoices you write for.

We are
Worshipfull Sir & Sirs
Your afftes: Friends and Servts
Richd. Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augusts: Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

Fort St. George
the 27th. May 1736.

No. 44

To William Wake Esqr.
Cheif &ca. Factors at Anjengo

Gentlemen

We have received yours advising your having taken ashore from the Madrass Galley the powder sent on her for Tellicherry.

The Fort St. George brought us a few days since the enclosed Packet for you from Bombay designed by her but as she did not Call at your Port we take this opportunity to send it to you.

We are

Fort St. George — Gentlemen

May the 27th. 1736. — Your Very Humble Servants
Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 45

To Mr. John Graham
Resident at Ingeram

Sir

Yours of the 17th. April Came duely to hand. In answer to the first Parsh: of it we think proper to tell you that when you see a letter signed by us you are to look upon the Contents of it as our Sentiments let who will be the Penman.

As to the Maddepollam debts you know very well who is to make them good & we expect & will have them brought to account within this Year if we do not find it we shall be obliged to Call you up hither to answer for your disobedience.

As to what you write about the Dutch & of Mr. Sibleys Proceedings at Upparra we look upon it as design'd to give a lustre to your own performances & are in hopes you will send us a Considerable Investment notwithstanding the difficulties you talk of.

We send inclos'd Mr. Joseph Goddards Covenants which must be executed in presence of two persons who are to witness the same and Mr. Goddard must send us the names of two persons in England to give Security for his due performance.

We are

Fort St. George — Sir

2d. June 1736. — Your friends & Servants
Richd. Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 46

To John Sanderson Esqr.
Cheif &ca. Coun. of Vizagapatam

Gentlemen

We have yours of the 10th. April advising the reletting the farms & that you have hopes of a better Investment than Last Year which gives us no small Satisfaction.

Inclos'd you have Invoice & bill of Lading for treasure Consign'd you by the Madrass Galley which Vessel you must get into the River till the Season for her returning to us with a loading of bales.

If you Cannot get her into the River with safety we would have you send her to Ingeram or some other river near you if practicable but if not you must send her to Bengall advising the President & Coun^{l}: thereof your so doing & desiring them to return her to us as early as the season will permit.

What plank or Timber put ashore out of the George you have no use for send us up as Conveyances offer.

We are
GENTLEMKN

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JUNE THE 2^{D}. 1736.

Your affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 47

TO CAP^{N}: SAMUELL HEPBURN
OF THE MADRASS GALLEY

SIR

You are hereby required to repair on board your Vessell and wind & weather permitting to make the best of your way to Vizagapatam where you are to deliver the accompanying packett and treasure we have laden on board to the Cheif & Council whose Orders are to direct your future Proceedings. Dated in fort S^{t}. George this second Day of June 1736.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 48

TO THE WORSHIPFULL JA^{S}. HUBBARD ESQ^{R}
DEPUTY GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID

WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS

We have received yours of the 2^{d}. Instant with Invoice & bill of Lading for bales by the Mary and another of the same date accompanying your months accounts &

advising that you had at last engaged your Merchants in a Contract for one thousand Bales which we approve and hope they will duly Comply with.

FORT ST. GEORGE
8TH. OF JUNE 1736.

We are
WORSHIPFULL SIR & SIRS
Your affectionate friends & Servts.
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 49

TO THE HONBLE. JOHN HORNE ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. &CA. COUNL. OF BOMBAY

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We are favour'd with your severals of 15th and 20th. Janry. 10th. March & 8th. Aprill. The first desiring we would send all the Force we Could spare to Tellicherry, reach'd the 20th: Febry: but as we are at any time not well provided for Equipments it was the 27th. before we Could dispatch the Madrass Galley & the Jenny Snow both small Vessells which were all that were then in the Road the first had Lieutenant Ensign & thirty three men with thirty barrels of Powder on board the Snow an Ensign & thirty three men and the like Quantity of Powder this Last Cou'd not weather Ceilone but return'd hither the 19th. April. The Galley got no higher up the Mallabar Coast than Cochin where she Landed the Men the Latter end of April & the Commodore of Cochin had supplied Lieutenant Amyand with three Munchuas to transport them to Tannore where the necessary Orders where Lodg'd for them by the Cheif & Council of Tellicherry. The Gunpowder the Galley had on board was put on shore at Anjengo.

Mr. Henry Lowther Late Cheif of Suratt arrived at Pondicherry in a french ship the beginning of Last Month & upon receipt of your Letter of the 8th. April We wrote to the Govr. & Council there desiring they would deliver him up to the Guard which we order'd thither to receive him, but in answer thereto They insist upon the Protection of their flag & not to diliver him up but on Condition we permitt him to take his Passage on the first ship bound to England.

By this Pattamar Comes a Packett for your Presidency from Anjengo & another from St. Helena wch. Last we should have sent you sooner but that we think it Cannot from thence Contain anything Very Material.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
JUNE THE 15TH. 1736.

We are
HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Most Humble Servts.
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 50

To the Worshipfull James Hubbard Esq^r^.
Deputy Governour &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. David

Worshipfull Sir & Sirs

We have received yours of the 14^th^. Instant inclosing the account of Loss on Stores at y^r^. place for the Last Year & Report of the survey of them, which we permitt you to write off to profitt & Loss observing the directions we formerly gave you on this Subject.

In answer to the Last Par^th^. we meant that all accounts Remains shou'd be sign'd by the Covenanted serv^ts^. In Charge of their Respective Employ's whether of Council or not.

Fort S^t^. George
the 22^d^. June 1736.

We are
Worshipfull S^r^. & S^rs^.

Your affectionate friends &
Servants
Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 51

To Mess^rs^. Thomas Fytche and
Edward Wilson & such other of the
Super Cargoes of the English Company's Ships
as may be at Canton

Sirs

The Hoñble Company have been pleased in part to Communicate to us as the Instructions they have given to Mess^rs^. And^w^: Reid Charles Rigby and Frederick Pigou Super Cargoes of the Normanton who are Order'd to Limpo to endeavour to open a Trade there & to provide a proper Cargo for Europe if Possible but in Case that is not Practicable to get a Complicated one Consisting of Quick Silver, Tootenaigue, China Ware, Gold & such other articles as might be likely to turn to account at Madrass with such Hyson, Bohea and Singlo Tea as may offer there & fill up the ship with Sugar Consigning the whole to this Presidency as we beleive it to be very probable that they will not be able to do so much as is to be wish'd at Limpo we have thought fit to take this opportunity by a ship bound to Macaw to send you a Price Curr^t^. of China Goods at this Port if you shoul'd have any opportunity to forward it to them as it may be some guide to them in Case they resolve to bring the ship hither.

We are
Sirs

Fort S^t^. George
July the 3^d^. 1736.

Your most Humble Servants
Rich^d^. Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Aug^s^. Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

PRICES OF CHINA GOODS IN MADRASS

TOOTENAIGUE Thirty Pagodas the Candy of 500 lb. In Bengall it may sell from seventeen to eighteen Curr^{t}. Rupees the Maund of 74⅔ lb.

QUICK SILVER and VERMILLION one hund^{d}. Pecull may sell from one hundred to one hund^{d}. & Ten Pag^{s}. the Pecull more would fall the Price to 60 & 70 ℔ Pecull.

ALLUM a great quantity is in Town & will not sell for seven Pag^{s}. the Candy.

CHINA SUGAR will not sell for above Nine Pag^{s}. the Candy by reason of great Quantity's of the Java Sort imported already & more expected from Malacca as well as by the Ships from Batavia.

CHINA SUGAR CANDY one hundred Candy may sell from Nineteen to Twenty Pagodas the Candy but will be Lower if much is brought from Malacca & by the Dutch Ships from Batavia.

CHINA WARE should be of the Coarser sorts & Cheaper bought than is usual by the English or the quantity's brought by the Macaw ships will make it a Loosing article.

GOLD of true Ninety three Touch will produce in our Mint as follows:—

10 Tale Weight of Gold is	oz. 12	dwt. 1	grs. 8½	of 93 Touch is better				
	oz.	dwt.	grs.					
7⅞ & makes Pagodas Matt—	13	—	8½	.. ..	Pag^{s}.	117	28	20
Coinage 6½ ℔ Mill fan^{s}. ..		..	..	27. 40				
Alloy—	..	..	..	22. 30				
						1	13	70
				Nett Madrass Pag^{s}.	..	116	14	30

upon w^{ch}. you may very well Reckon a Batta or advance of Five ℔ Cent the Current Coin of the Country being so much debased that the Comp^{y}. will at Least be at that Charge for what Madrass Pagodas will be wanted for our Investments at Vizagapatam & Ingeram.

No. 52

To M^{r}. JOHN SANDERSON
CHEIF &C^{a}. COUN^{L}. OF VIZAGAPATAM

SIRS

The 5th. of June we rec^{d}. yours of the 22^{d}. May inclosing your Cash & Paymasters account with your Diarys for Aprill Last.

Yesterday the Hallifax arrived here from England by her we have received our Hoñble Masters Commands for the Investment of this Year, & their Remarks on that made in the Year 1734. They are pleased to direct that greater Care be taken of the Lengths & Breadths of y^{e}. Long Cloths & Sallampores those from Vizagapatam did not hold out the Invoice Lengths, & the Byers expect them to hold out full sixteen Yards & the Duty's are always paid for sixteen Yards.

We would have you write to Ingeram That the finer sorts of Cloth from thence are also Complain'd of they are of two bad Colour and soft a thread for the use the fine Cloth is now generally applied to, & if they Cannot be made of a harder Twisted thread we must have no more from thence it is also Very ill Cured & therefore should be sent up to be Witened here.

For the Rest the Company are pleasd to say their Servants at the Northern Settlements should convince them they have their Interest at heart by securing a Larger Number of Callicoes.

We expect an unusual Quantity of Tonnage &c. to be provided for at the Coast and Bay this Year & the Company will Expect, that we all do our utmost towards it You must therefore Lett us know with all speed what Number of Bales we are to hope for from Your settlement this Year & in what time that we may advise the Gentlemen in Bengall accordingly.

We are
SIRS

FORT ST. GEORGE
JULY 2D. 1736.

Your Afftc. Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

P.S.

Since writing the foregoing we have recd. one from you wch. we suppose should bear date about the 16th. of Last Month and the several Papers inclosd & we shall Comply further with your Indent for Stores as Conveyances offer.

No. 53.

TO THE HONBLE. JNO. STACKHOUSE ESQR.
PRESIDT. & GOVR. OF FORT WILLIAM &CA. COUNL.

HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on you by the Defence Capn. Jas. Montgomery that arrived here from England the 26th. past, The Hallifax arrived the 1st. Inst. & by her We are acquainted by our Hoñble Masters that upon the supposition that the Deputy Govr. & Council on the West Coast would be able to Load two ships with Pepper from thence this season they had order'd the Compton to proceed first to Bengall to take in Salt Petre & Redwood for Kintlage & Dunnage of both ships.

Upon this Occasion we think proper to acquaint you that by our Last advices from the West Coast the Quantity of Pepper they will in all probability be able to procure this Year will not be sufficient to give both ships their full Tonnage & without your Honr. &ca. shall please to Load One hundred Tons of bale Goods on board the Compton to help out we are very apprehensive one of the ships will by so much be sent home dead freighted we take this opportunity to intimate this to you but as we Expect the George in dayly from the West Coast we shall very likely be able to write you with more Certainty what Quantity of Pepper we may depend upon that Coast for, & at the same time let you know if any & what Quantitys & Sorts of Low prized Chints and strong Callicoes are proper for the West Coast which the Company write us they have directed you to send on the Compton.

The Redwood shall be sent down to you as the Ships can take it in.

We are
HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Most Humble. Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
JULY 4TH. 1736.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 54.

To the Honble Jn°. Horne Esq^r.
Presid^t. & Gov^r: &c^a. Coun^l: of Bombay

Honble Sir & Sirs

This accompanys duplicate of our Last the 1^st. Ins^t. the ship Hallifax Cap^n. Manly arrived here from England & having by her Rec^d. a packet from our Hon^ble. Masters we send you inclos'd Copy of the List of ships design'd for all Parts of India together with Copys of such other Parts of our Letter as may deserve your Attention if the Harrington should not arrive with you before you receive this.

The Defence put in here the 26^th. past in her way to Bengall but by her we rec^d. no Packet from the Company none of the other ships are yet arrived with this we send your Hon^r. &c^a. another Packet that we rec^d. from Anjengo and are

Fort St. George — Hoñble Sir & Sirs

6^th. July 1736.

Your Most humble Servants
Rich^d. Benyon.
Rand^l. Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

N.B.—Papers referr'd to in the foregoing
Copy of the 6^th. 7^th. 27^th. 32^d. Par^s. of the Companys Letter ℔ Hallifax Dated 12^th. Dec^r. 1735.
Copy of the Par^s. of the Mocha Instructions referr'd to in said Letter.

No. 55.

To the Hoñble Jn°. Stockhouse Esq^r.
Presid^t. & Gov^r. &c^a. Council of Fort William

Honourable S^r. & S^rs.

We wrote you last by the Defence w^ch. you have duplicate Inclos'd also Invoice & bill of Lading for redwood Laden on this ship Hallifax together with her Charter Party.

We have since our Last Look'd over our Register of Goods sent to the West Coast that we might the better inform your Honour &c^a. if any & what quantity & Sorts might be proper for you to send on the Compton on our Hoñble Masters account we do not find that for these three Years past their demand has exceeded from one thousand to twelve hundred Pagodas ℔ annum and therefore we Cannot desire the sending any quantity thither further than what you will find in the Inclos'd Indent to w^ch. we have added two Chests of Ophium & desire the same may be Complied with we have also Indented for some Oyl, Gunny bags & Twine which we desire may be provided according to the directions & sent by the Compton.

Fort St. George
July 13^th. 1736.

We are
Honour^ble. S^r. & S^rs.

Your Most humble Serv^ts.
Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

Fort S^{t}. George 12th. July 1736

Indent for Bengall Goods to be sent on the Compton to the West Coast

	Pieces	
Cossimbuzur Chints	400	@ 20 Rupees ℔ Corge
Burran Cossaes	400	60
Gurrahs of 36 Covids	400	45
Doosuttees	100	40
Taffatys—Red	100	100
Ophium Patna	2 Chests	

Additional Indent

Mustard Seed Oyl	50 Jars
Gunneys Close fit for Pepper Bags made into Bags of one Gunney ℔ bag each Gunney 17 Covids	
Long 17 Fingers Broad	8000 Bags
Twine	10 Maunds

Richard Benyon &c^{a}.

No. 56

To John Sanderson Esq^{r}.
Cheif &c^{a}. Council of Vizagapatam
Gentlemen

In your last you tell us that if you have any number of Bales ready by the Latter end of Augst. or beginning of Sep^{r}. the Jenny shall be dispatch'd with y^{m}. We see no way M^{r}. Graham Can send his Cloth to us except you order the Jenny to Call for them at Ingeram or otherwise if that Cannot be done the Bales may be sent from thence by Country boats to you we would have you Consider w^{ch}. may best be Complied with & send orders to M^{r}. Graham accordingly

Fort S^{t}. George
13th. July 1736.

We are
Gentlemen
Your aff^{te}. Friends

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 57

To M^{r}. John Graham
Resid^{r}. at Ingeram

Sir

We shall be in want of all the Cloth you may have on hand towards Loading our Sep^{r}. Ship. We have wrote to Mess^{rs}. Sanderson & Harrison at Vizagapatam to order the Jenny to Call upon you for them, or otherwise that you send the bales by Country Boats thither they will Consider w^{ch}. may best be done & whatever directions they send you must be Complied with. We are

Sir

Fort S^{t}. George
13th. July 1736

Your affectionate friends
Richard Benyon &c^{a}.

No. 58

To the Worsll. Jas. Hubbard Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ca. Council of Fort Sr. David

Worsll. Sir & Sirs

We have yours of the 30th. June & 2d. July & having taken into Consideration your Merchts. request that they may be Indulged in paying only two & a half ℔ Cent on their turn'd out Cloth, we have Complied therewith for this year though their Performances in their running Contract hitherto does but ill deserve any favour from us.

We Can give no Orders Concerning the produce of Mr. Berrimans Effects Contrary to the directions that have been sent by the administrator wch. may serve for answer to yours of the 2d. of July.

We are
Worshll. Sr. & Srs.
Your affte. Friends & Servts.

Fort Sr. George
13th. July 1736.

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 59

To the Worshll. James Hubbard Esqr.
Depy. Govr. &ca. Counl. of Fort Sr. David

Worshll. Sir & Sirs

By order of the Honble President & Council I send you Inclos'd Invoice & bill of Lading for Wood Oyl Laden on the Rama. I am

Worshll. Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Servant

Fort Sr. George
17 . July 1736.

John Savage
Secry.

No. 60

To the Honble Jno. Stackhouse Esqr.
Presidt. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort William

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our last was dated the 13th. Inst. by the Hallifax of which you have duplicate Inclos'd the 14th. the Grantham arrived here & the same night the Haeslingfield, this Last touch'd at the Cape & brings advice that the Godolphin & Beaufort had been there the beginning of March.

Yesterday the Jane arrived here from Judda but Last from Mocha our Letter from Mr. Goodwin & Capn. Trognal leaves us still in doubt if We shall see the Britannia here for whether they are able to purchase a full Lading of Pepper or not she will proceed to Bombay & we know not yet what will be the Resolutions of the Governour & Council there.

We cannot therefore say what Tonnage we shall want from you in Decr. however it may be some guide to tell you that if the Britannia does not Come hither we hope to give the Prince William her Tonnage from hence by the Latter end of Sepr. & to

be able to furnish eighteen hundred or two thousand Bales more for the ships you may send us in Decr. this is all we Can tell you as yet but hope by the middle of next Month to write you with more Certainty.

Since we wrote you by the defence we have received a Copy of our hoñble Masters Letter to the Depy. Govr. & Council of the West Coast by which we observe you are directed to send thither on the Compton three hundred tons of Salt Petre if you are able to Comply there with we hope there will be no occasion for you to send any bale Goods as part of her Europe Cargo as we think they will hardly fall short in their quantity of Pepper but that the Salt Petre will be fully sufficient to prevent her going home dead Freighted.

Inclos'd we send you our Warehousekeepers Indent which we desire may be exactly Complied with by the ships you send us in December. We shall in a subsequent Letter advise why we have demanded so Large a quantity of Salt Petre.

Inclos'd you have Invoice & bill of Lading for Redwood Laden on this ship.

Fort St. George
July 21st. 1736.

We are
Hoñble Sir & Sirs
Your Most humble Servants

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

Fort St. George 21st. July 1736

Indent for Packing stuff &ca. for the use of the Export Warehouse Anno 1737

Gurrahs of 36 Covids Long ..	Fifteen hundd.	1500 Peices
Gunneys	Ten Thousand	10,000 do.
Rope	Thirty	30 Candy
Twine	Ten	10 do.
Mustard seed Oyl one hundred & fifty	.. .. ..	150 Jars
Salt Petre four thousand five hundred	.. .. ..	4500 Bags

℔ Augustus Burton
Export Warehousekr.

No. 61

To the Worsll. James Hubbard Esqr.
Depty. Govr. &ca. Counl. of Fort Sr. David

Worsll. Sir & Sirs

We would have you make use of the first good Conveyance that offers to send up the remainder of the Treasure with all the Lead & Iron and whatever else remains in your Warehouses of the Goods & effects seiz'd at Porto Novo belonging to the Ulrica Eleanora.

We send you inclos'd Copys of such Par^{ths}. of our hoñble Masters Letter to us dated the 23^{d}. Jan^{y}. last relating to the Investment which may be proper for your notice.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
26TH. JULY 1736.

Meñ: Inclos'd Paragraphs 33, 34, 39, 44, 83.

We are
HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Most aff^{te}. freinds and Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 62.

To M^{R}. DUMAS GOVERNOUR
AND THE GENTLEMEN OF THE SUPERIOUR
COUNCIL AT PONDICHERRY

GENTLEMEN

We receiv'd yours of the 2nd. June N. S. in due time which we did not reply to sooner because we had some Points to settle with M^{r}. Lowther before we Complied with his request but those being now adjusted we have given him leave to Come hither and have promised him a Passage on the first ship we dispatch to England agreable to his request signified to us by you.

Thus Gentlemen we have Complied with your desire with regard to this Gentleman but think it necess^{ry}. to represent to you, that your granting the protection of your Flag to those who have been in the service of our Company have made use of the Trust reposed in them to wrong those by whom they have been employ'd will oblige us to do the like whenever application shall be made to us. The ill Consequences of this are too apparent to need our enlarging on them and we therefore propose to you to enter into an agreement with us whereby the protection of y^{e}. English and french Flags (now granted to all indifferently) shall be limitted; & allowed to those only who have unfortunately broken the Penal Laws of their Country & who Claim such Protection only to avoid Capital or Corporal Punishment not to those who would make use of it to screen themselves from the Obligation of Paying their just debts. The great Equity of this proposal and the advantages which would arise from it to each Company and to the settlements in general make us hope you will agree thereto.

We have the honour to be with great Respect

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JULY 31ST. 1736.

GENTLEMEN
Your Most Obed^{t}. & Most Humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 63.

To HENRY LOWTHER ESQ^{R}.

SIR

We have yours of the 25th. Ins^{t}. in which you tell us you have no security to offer for the Performance of your promise of going home, yet request we will give you leave to Come up hither & go on the first ship we dispatch for England. Which

request we have on due Consideration determin'd to grant and accordingly we do permit you to Come hither promising you security for your Person till such ship goes & leave to go upon her.

We are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
JULY 31ST. 1736.

SIR
Your Very humble Serv^{ts}.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSIUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 64.

TO THE WORS^{LL}. JAMES HUBBARD ESQ^{R}.
DEP^{T}. GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUN^{L}. OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID

WORS^{LL}. SIR & SIRS

This serves to accompany a recruit of twenty soldiers for your Garrison as ℔ List annext under the Command of Serjeant Rawsom who is to return with the Peons we send with them. Inclos'd is an account disbursements on them amounting to Pagodas 19. 7 which you will Credit this Presidency.

We are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
3^{D}. AUGUST 1736.

WORS^{LL}. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate freinds & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

List of the Men

JONATHAN ADDAMS.
JOHN COLE.
JOHN MOZO.
RICHARD JONES.
HENRY BERN.
JAMES TRIPLAND.
RICHARD WHALE.
CHARLES WHAY.
RICHARD TURNER.
ABEL SNOW.
WILLIAM CRISWELL.
RICHARD FLOWERS.
MARTIN MACKINSTOSH.
JONATHAN SPRINGER.
FRANCIS TURBET.
JOHN RICHARDSON.
JAMES OCONNER.
JOHN KELLS.
THOMAS GOODWIN.
ANDREW NORCOCK

No. 65.

TO THE HONBLE JOHN STACKHOUSE ESQ^{R}.
PRESID^{T}. & GOV^{R}. &C^{A}. COUN^{L}. OF FORT WILLIAM

HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS

The Grantham carryed you our last of the 21st. July. This Comes on the Haeslingfeild on which ship we have Laden three hundred & sixty thous^{d}. Madrass Rupees she has also taken in thirty tons of Redwood and as your Place is the more

proper Market for the Copper we have Continued on board her what she brought out for us & Consign'd it to your hon^{r}. &c^{a}. Invoice & bill of Lading for all w^{ch}. Come inclos'd together with her Charter Party and manifest of Goods Landed from her at this Place.

We send you also inclos'd your Account Curr^{t}. with us, by which and the Account Sales of the Silver Lead & Rungpoor silk sold here & the Invoice of such Part of the last as we sent to Bombay (from whence the Gentlemen write us they wou'd give you Credit for the produce) your honour &c^{a}. will be able to make the proper adjustments that your book's may agree with Ours.

We have sold some part of the Cossimbuzar and Commeracolly Silk which you sent us up in August last when we have disposed of the rest we shall give you Credit for the Produce of the Whole.

The Pelham arrived here from Madeira the 26th. Past and we hope her Money will be Coin'd in time for us to dispatch her to you by the Middle of this Month.

We desire your Honour &c^{a}. will please to send us four thousand quires of Bengall Paper with the other things already indented for.

	Piggs.	ϴ	Qr.	Lb.
Of the Lead Consign'd us on the Haesling feild which in the Invoice is	1410	p 2001	3	19
the Captain has deliver'd ashore here but ..	1408	1981	—	3
The Difference being ..	2℔^{r}.	20	3	16

We have indorsed off the bill of Lading if he delivers it to your Honour &c^{a}. you will please to Credit the Presidency for it.

We are

Fort S^{t}. George
Augst 3^{D}. 1736.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most humble Servants

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 66.

To Cap^{n}. William Birch
Command^{r}. of the Haeslingfeild

Sir

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board your ship & with the first fair Wind set sail for the River of Bengall on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packet as directed to the honourable President & Council there to whom your ship goes consign'd and follow their Orders for your future Proceedings. We wish you a good Passage & date in Fort S^{t}. George this 3^{d}. day of August 1736.

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano

No. 67.

To the Worsll. Jas. Hubbard Esqr.
Depy. Govr. &ca. Counl. of Fort St. David

Worsll. Sir & Sirs

The hoñble the Prest. & Council have order'd me to Inclose to you the Invoices & bill of Lading for Medicines receiv'd this Year from England for your settlemt. Laden on the Mary Brigantine and to advise that a supply of stationary ware will be sent you by the next Conveyance. The Keys of the Medicine Chests accompanying this in a separate parcell.

I am
Worsll. Sir & Sirs
Your Most humble Servant
John Savage.
Secry.

Fort St. George
12th. August 1736.

No. 68.

To the Honble. John Stackhouse Esqr.
Prest. & Govr. &ca. Council of Fort William

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

Inclos'd is invoice and Bill of Lading for Rupees and Redwood shipped on board the Pelham. We Conclude the Company's agents at Madeira have sent you Bill of Lading for the Madeira wine as it did not Come inclos'd to us. The ship also has deliverd short of her quantity of Lead by the Invoice she should have deliver'd

	Peggs.	℔	qr.	lb.
	1209 ℔r.	1600	3	11
We have received but	1187	1563	1	11
difference ...	22 ℔r.	37	2	—

is endorsed on the bill of Lading if the Captain delivers it to you in Bengall please to Credit us for it.

As the Prince William will be dispatch'd from hence to England such Private Goods as were shipped on her in England for your Presidency are put on board the Pelham agreable to the Inclos'd Copy of the Manifest.

The list of the Packet by this ship particularizes all other Papers that are Inclosd and

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most humble Servants

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

Fort St. George
Augt. 16th. 1736.

P.S.

On this ship we return your Honr. &ca. the looking Glass you sent us in July 1735 to get Quicksilver'd having here no Utensils fit for so large a Work.

List of Papers inclosed.

N°. 1. General letter ℔ Pelham dated 16th. August 1736.
2. Invoice of Treasure & Redwood ℔ Pelham.
3. Bill of Lading for d°.
4. Pelham's Charter Party.
5. Copy of the Prince Williams Manifest of Private Goods for Bengall.
6. Manifest of Private Goods landed here from the Pelham.
7. Duplicate letter ℔ Haeslingfeild of 3d. August 1736.
8. Duplicate Invoice ℔ d°.
9. Second bill of lading ℔ d°.
10. Duplicate Accot. Currt. Bengall Presidency.
11. d°. Accot. Currt. Rawsilk & Silver Lead.
12. d°. Invoice of Rawsilk sent to Bombay.
13. A packet from Tellicherry.
14 Captain Woodfords bill of Lading from England.

No. 69.

To Captain Mead Woodford
Commander of the Pelham

Sir

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board your ship & with the first fair wind set sail for the River of Bengall on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packett as directed to the Honble the Prest. & Council there to whom your ship goes Consign'd and follow their Orders for your future Proceedings we wish you a good passage and date this in fort St. George this 16th. day of August 1736.

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 70.

To Mr. John Graham
Resident at Ingeram

Sir

Our Accomptant has deliver'd us two Copy's of your General Book's Ending in April which he acquaints us you had sent up to him this is going out of the usual Practise and for the future your books Monthly Accounts & all other Books or Papers relating to the Company's affairs which are to be sent up hither must be directed to the President & Council.

Upon peruseing your said book's we find the Expences at Ingeram increas'd considerably the two Last Years more than they were in 1732 and 1733 Exammineing the Particulars we find Exceedings as follows—

We observe Eight Peons Extraordinary and sometimes seven fishermen, besides a Tandall in Constant Pay upon account of the Troubles. We have not been advised that the Troubles about you have been of so Long a Continuance as the Extraordinary Charge & thô the Tandall and fishermen to attend the boat might have been proper to have transported the Companys effects to Vizagapatam upon any sudding (*sic*) occasion We see no use so many Peons Could be of and therefore we order them to be discharged and so we do some of the other thirty if your Investment does not go on a little better the last fifteen being only added as that Increased we think also fewer than ten Packers kept in Constant Pay will be sufficient whilst your Number of bales is so small.

For two Years running twenty four Pags. is Charged for entertaining the french, this seems to us a new Charge and as we know no Reason why the Company should be at the Expence must be paid back into their Cash.

We find an increase also under the head of servants wages those to the Washerman and Barber are introduc'd without any Warrant from hence & must therefore be discontinued.

We take no notice here of the Increase in the Wages at the Factorys Mazliapatam and Maddapollam because we have appointed Mr. Edward Fowke Resident at Maddepollam which will Occasion another Establishment at those Places.

Goods for Packing are Charged at very Extravagant Prices particularly Cotton at $\overset{ps.}{32}.\ \overset{fs.}{20}$ ℔ Candy & other things in Proportion.

We observe a small Increase in the Charge of the Annual Custo. of Maddapollam River and this Year a new Charge of Pags. 6. 12 to the Southern River men over & above the annuall allowance of Pags. 10. 24 to the River men and Juncanners of Ingeram River this must be explain'd to us and you must be very Carefull not to suffer any new Impositions from the Juncanners because when once submitted to they ever after insist upon it as Sallabad.

Your Account Presents amount to a great Sum in the Year and Most of your Charges Extraordinary might more properly be put under the same head both together amount to so Large a sum that is to heavy upon the small Investmt: now made at Ingeram we know very well the Moors and Country Rajahs and their Officers are always ready to ask where they observe an ease in granting but if you are so often obliged to give them Presents and it Cannot be avoided we must Resolve to Leave off all business there till we can go on with it upon more reasonable terms.

You have brought the Maddapollam Stock into the Ingeram books in such a manner that it is impossible now to know the true Sale of it there being nothing to guide us in our Enquiry's. When those books where Closed the several Persons and accounts indebted upon ballance should have had new heads open'd upon the Ingeram Books, and as any Cloth was brought in by Your Merchts. they should have had Credit for the same and then we should have seen Exact Ballances due and from whom upon the Close of the Last Books. We hope you have some other accounts or Memorandums by you that will enable you to explain to us in what the last ballance of Pags. 4,490. 18. 33 Consists & that being adjusted you must debt sundry Accots. in that sum to Moddepollam Stock which will bring the several Ballances upon the books again as they ought to be for our notice & observation in what manner they are Cleared.

It is the Constant Practice of our Subordinates to remit their Accounts up hither Monthly this has been but ill observed lately from your Residency and for the future must not be omitted you must also write us the state of the Country about you what disputes there are between the Moors and the Country Rajahs and also acquaint us with your own transactions with the Government and your Reasons for the same.

We are

Sir

Fort St. George
19 August 1736

Your Affte. freinds

Richd. Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus. Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 71

To the Worshipfull James Hubbard Esq^r^.
Dep^ty^. Gov^r^. &c^a^. Coun^l^. of Fort S^t^. David

Worship^ll^. Sir & Sirs

It will be proper for us in a few days that we advise the Gentlemen in Bengall what Number of Bales we shall have ready for the Jan^ry^. Ships and as we have some reason to fear that we shall be disappointed if we make our Computation by the quantity of Cloth actually Contracted for we wou'd have you give us your opinion how far your Merchants will really Comply with their Engagements by the Middle of Jan^ry^. we mean Wash'd and Cured.

Fort S^t^. George
August 20^th^. 1736

We are
Wors^ll^. Sir & Sirs
Your affectionate Freinds & Serv^ts^.
Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 72

To His Excellency Everard Falconer Esq^r^.
Ambassador from his Britannick
Majesty to the Ottoman Port

My Lord

We receiv'd by the hands of Senhour Dominico Kendall the Honour of a letter from his Excellency the Lord Kinnoul bearing date the 20^th^. Oct^r^. last relating to the Trade Carried on by his Britannick Majestys Subjects residing in India to the Ottomon Ports in the Red Sea & Gulf of Persia and having discoursed Senior Dominico very fully upon the Instructions he was Charged with from my Lord Kennoull we take this opportunity of Expressing our Gratitude to his Lordship for the Regard he has shown for our interests and the security of our trade to the Ports of Juddah & Bassora. His lordships return to England prevents our making these acknowledgem^ts^. to his Lordship himself but as your Excellency succeeds him in the Care of the Interests of the rest of his Majestys subjects trading to the Grand Siegnours Dominions we presume to recommend our affairs to your Protection & to request your favourable assistance, when Occasion requires.

With regard to the particular Commission given to Mr. Kendall our situation & the Orders we are tyed up to by the East India Company make it difficult for us to make any proposals at Present for bringing the same to maturity but we promise ourselves your Excellency will furnish us with such hints as may be effectual to that End if our Masters to whom we shall write about this affair will permitt us to make use of the favourable Inclinations which my lord Kinnoul, had for us and which we hope shall find likewise in you Excellency We shall also without delay Consult our fellow subjects in the other Parts of India hereupon & flatter ourselves we shall be enabled soon to experience the good effects of your Excellency's favour and Protection.

Fort S^t^. George
August 27^th^. 1736

We are
My Lord
Your Excellencys
Most Obed^t^. & obliged humble Serv^ts^.
Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 73

To the Honble John Stackhouse Esq^r^.
Presid^t^. & Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council of Fort William

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

The bearer of this Senhor Dominico Kiundall brought us a Letter from my Lord Kinnoul dated 20^th^. Oct^r^. Last at that time his Majesty's Embassador at Constantinople. We do not trouble you with a Copy thereof because this Gentlemen tells us he has another Lett^r^. from his Lordship directed to your Hon^r^. &c^a^. the Purport whereof is doubtless the same as that to us We have heard M^r^. Kiundell fully for so far as he had it in commission to tell us Concerning the English Trade to the Turkish Ports in the Red Sea & the Gulf of Persia, Your Hon^r^. &c^a^. have more Reason than any of the other Presidencys in India to Consider with attention on the Expensive Method in which it is Carried on at present & the great hazard & danger the Persons & effects of the English sent annually thither are exposed to & therefore if by the Embassadors means any stipulations Can be obtain'd of the Grand Signior for the security for our Trade to the Turkish Ports we are perswaded it will be very acceptable to your Hon^r^. &c^a^. and all others Concern'd in it but when we took into Consideration what might be proper to do on our Parts we were of Opinion we had it not sufficiently in our Power to propose or Consent to any thing Certain without the Participation & previous Consent of the Comp^y^. We shall therefore this year write our Honble Masters upon this subject in the mean time all that we thought we might say to his Excellency the Present Emb^r^. at the Port you will find in our letter to him Copy of which we send you Enclos'd for the Rest as M^r^. Kiundell's stay here is but short you will have more time to Consider of what he has to propose and what may be proper to be Concluded on hereafter for the mutuall & Generall Benefit of the English Trade in which if any thing new shou'd occur to you, we shall be glad you will Communicate it to us and in return we shall give you our sentiments with sincerity and without Reserve being with great truth

Fort S^t^. George
August 27^th^. 1736.

Hoñble S^rs^. & S^rs^.
Your Most humble Serv^ts^.
Richard Benyon
&c^a^. as before.

No. 74.

To John Sanderson Esq^r^.
Cheif &c^a^. Council of Vizagapatam

Gentlemen

Since our last we have rec^d^. yours of the 3^d^. and 24^th^. of July, the 1^st^. accompanying your General Books & Contains Cheifly your Reasons for the Increase & decrease of the several articles of y^r^. Charges for the two last Years, we may hereafter give you our sentiments thereon if upon further Examination we shall think it necessary at present we shall only tell you that when any more Europeans come into your bounds we would have you secure them & take the first oppertunity to send y^m^. up hither & this method we would have you Continue till the Europeans in your Pay are reduc'd to the Number they were fixed at before Sabbana's Troubles excepting new Commotions in the Country should incline you to suspend for a while the Execution of these Orders (of which you must not fail to inform us) We observe the Increase of Y^r^. Customs & your reason why we are not to Expect such encrease another Year, but we Expect you will find some means to make Conveniencys to Hawl the Country Vessells ashore as well as harbour^s^. them in the River if there be any Ground fit for that Purpose adjacent to the River and w^ch^. at present may be only Cocoa nutt Trees the present possessors must be satisfied with a reasonable Consideration for such part thereof as may be wanted for your Purpose since it is

very likely they have no right but possession & what perhaps was originally an Encroachment upon the Company's property let us know the Quantity of Ground wanting and what you think a reasonable Value for the same.

Since we wrote you the 3d. of last month we have received our Honble Masters further sentiments concerning the Investment at their Northern Settlements they are pleas'd to say that whenever their Goods are deficient in the usual Length or breadth it brings them in disreputation, that such defects very much prejudice the sale and do therefore recommend it to us to remeddy the same for the time to come as much as in us lies but do also add that the Goods must not be refus'd upon acct. of those deficiencys we suppose it is also Conditionally that a proportionable abatement be made in the Prices and since your Last tells us that the Dutch take in great Quantitys of Short Cloth if it be really so & the Merchants will Consent to a proportionable abatement you have Permission to take some in too but we suppose that alone will not answer their views & that they will Expect what they have been Long aiming at namely as great a price for short Cloth as if it was full Measure by this Vessell we have Complied with Yr. Indent for Wares & Stores Excepting the Article of Stationary Ware wch. we think much too Large for any Occasion you can have on the Compys. Account & Our Honble Masters told us Last year that we are to take Care their Servants do not make use of their Paper or any thing Else without paying them a Moderate proffit.

The Company have been pleas'd to direct Mr. Sanderson to be taken in as Youngest of Council here but permitted to Remain at Vizagapatam if he shall desire it. They have also if Mr. Harrison should desire to be recall'd hither given us Liberty to grant his Request we hope by this time or soon after you will have taken Effectual Care that we are not disappointed of your Cloth for the dispatch of our Sepr. Ship.

We had Consign'd you the Gun Powder by this Vessell but the Tandall nor the other Freighters would not run the Risque of it having no Deck. If the Galley Comes here in time we shall send it by her designing afterwards she shall go into Ingeram River to bring up those bales in December and we shall desire the Gentlemen in Bengall to order one of the Europe Ships to Call for yrs.

Fort St. George
28th. Augt. 1736.

We are
Gentlemen
Yr. Affectionate Freinds

Richd. Benyon.
Randll. Fowke.
Aug: Burton.
Nic: Morse.
Francis Rous.
Willm. Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 75.

To the Worsll. Jas. Hubbard Esqr.
Deptt. Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. David

Worsll. Sir & Sirs

This by Order of the Presidt. & Council Covers Invoice and Bill of Lading for Broad Cloth & packing stuff sent you on the Rama.

Fort St. George
Augt. 28th. 1736.

I am
Worsll. Sr. & Srs.
Your Most Humble Servt
John Savage,
Secretary.

No. 76.

To the Worsll. James Hubbard Esqr.
Deptt. Govr. of Fort St. David &ca. Counl.

Worsll. Sr. & Srs.

We have just now recd. yours of the 30th. August the Nabob is still at Allumparra & we are inform'd will Continue to take his diversion on the Sea Shore for some days Longer it is yet uncertain whether he will move further southward or remain where he is in Expectation of the return of his son's with the army from Tranjore & Tritchanopoly but this Last is look't upon as most probable but if on the Contrary he should Come yr. way we must Leave it to your Discretion to act in the best manner you Can to put the Company to as little Expence as Possible without giving offence, and you have a precedent to direct you in Janry. 1731/2 We shall only hint to you here that as Imaum saib is with the Nabob you will find him more sincerely our freind than Coop Singo was then and you must apply to Imaum Sahib in the first place to Introduce any Message or present wch. you may think necessary to send the Nabob our Present is only design'd as a Complement, & what the french have done is different & very Valuable Considerations & therefore their Expence Cannot be thought an Example for us to follow.

Fort St. George
1o. Sepr. 1736.

We are
Worsll. Sir & Sirs
Yr. Affectionate Freinds & Servts.

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Ns. Morse.
Francis Rous.
Wm. Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 77.

To the Honble John Stackhouse Esqr.
President and Governour &ca. Council
of Fort William

Worshipl. Sir & Sirs

This Incloses you Bill of Lading & Invoice for Rupees & Copper Laden on this ship Shaftsbury, also some Large Anchors Which are too big for any Ship that we have now belonging to this Place.

We wrote you the 21st. past that we hop'd to have Eighteen hundred or two thousand Bales ready to fill up the ships you may dispatch to us on Decr. and having taken the same into Consideration again we do not find that we have any Reason to Expect any more on the Contrary as we beleived the Quantity of Tonnage sent out this Year would be very heavy upon you we determin'd to write to you the Utmost that we Could Possibly hope for but as we are subject to so many disappointments here, we must very earnestly press you to send us up the full Quantity of Salt Petre we indented for that we may fill up the Tonnage with that in Case we fall short in our Number of Bales.

Our Orders from the Company oblige us to keep forty thousand Pounds in Bullion here in Return for the Normantons Cargo if she should Come this way from China. In that Case great part of her China Cargo will be sent to you as the more proper Markett. If she should not Come as we shall have forty thousand Pounds ready in Bullion it may be sent down to you early in the Year if from the sale of your Cash you should be in any great want of it in which Case we would streighten ourselves rather yn. subject the Company to the high Interest of Calcutta.

We Expect two or three hundred Bales of Cloth will be ready at Vizagapatam by the Middle of December at farthest, and as we are not sure of any Vessell there to bring them up we request you will order one of the Europe ships to Call in for them.

In a Postscript to the Pelhams letter we advis'd you that we had return'd you the Large looking Glass but afterwards a Person undertook to put it in good order & therefore we desir'd Cap^{n}. Woodford to send it ashoar again so soon as it is finish'd we shall send it you.

We are HoñBLE SIR & SIRS
Y^{r}. Most Humble Serv^{ts}
RICH^{D}. BENYON &C^{A}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
1st. Sep^{R}. 1736.

No. 78.

To CAPTAIN MATH^{W}: BOOKEY
COMMAND^{R}: OF THE SHAFTSBURY

S^{R}.

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board y^{r}. Ship & with the first fair Wind, Set sail for the River of Bengall on Y^{r}. arrival you are to deliver the Accompanying Packet as directed to the Honourable the Presid^{t}. and Council there to whom y^{r}. ship goes Consign'd and follow their Orders for your future Proceedings dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 1st. Sep^{r}. 1736.

RICH^{D}. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUG: BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 79.

To M^{R}. WILL^{M}. BARWELL
SECRETARY.

S^{R}.

The Shafsbury's Packet for your place being Clos'd the Presid^{t}. & Council here have Order'd me to observe to you that it will appear by Cap^{n}. Bookey's Bill of Lading and the Endorsements upon it that he has deliver'd some articles short & to desire should he (as he apprehends he shall) make good the deficiencys at y^{r}: Place that you will put the President & Council there in Mind to Credit the Presidency therewith.

I am
S^{R}.
Your Humble Servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
SEP^{R}. 1ST. 1736.

No. 80.

To THE HON^{BLE}. JOHN STACKHOUSE ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL
OF FORT WILLIAM

HoñBLE S^{R}. & S^{RS}.

We receiv'd Yesterday by the Hallifax y^{r}. Letter of the 24th. July with duplicate of that of the 17th. it is a Concern to us that we must not depend upon any Salt Petre from you this Season w^{ch}. is the more unlucky at this Juncture that the Nabob's

forces are now upon their March towards Misore which will occasion so much trouble and Confusion in the Cloth country's that we have now more reason than ever to apprehend a disappointment in our Investment & therefore since your Honr. &ca. cannot supply us with any salt we must desire you will not depend upon us to fill up more than three hundred Tons with Bale Goods wch. at five Bales & one third ℔ Ton is sixteen hundred Bales but if you should be able to supply us with Petre you may leave room for four hundred Bales more or such Part thereof as shall be Equivalent to the Quantity of Petre you send us.

We shall forward yr. Packets to England in the manner you have directed.

The Master of the Narcissus who arrived Yesterday from Bombay tells us that comeing out of the Harbour the 17th. Last Month he saw two Large ships standing in with Pennants which we take to be the Windham & Linn as yet we hear no news of the Harrington We are

Fort St. George
Septr. 6th. 1736.

Honble Sr. & Srs.
Your Most Humble Servts.
Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 81.

To the Honble John Stackhouse
President Govr. &ca. Council
of Fort William

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote you the 6th. Inst. ℔ the London Duplicate followed few days after by the Sarah Galley the 7th. we recd. your favour of the 15th. July. We hope the supply we have sent you of Redwood by the several Ships will be sufficient to answer all Occasions you may have for it, if after the dispatch of the Ships home you will please to advise us how much you have remaining in store we shall always be better able to regulate the Quantity to be sent from hence Except forty thousand Pounds of Bullion which we are order'd to reserve for the Normanton all the rest wch: was consign'd us has been coin'd here & the produce sent you as it was ready.

This waits on you by the George that arrived here from the West Coast the 11th. Instant with Sixty Tons of Pepper on board wch. we have resolv'd to continue on board her & consign it to you that it may be shot loose in the several ships you may dispatch upon the Captains agreeing to take it in at half Freight.

We cannot from the West Coast Letter form any Judgement what Quantity of Pepper the Gentlemen there will have on hand for the Loading of the Duke of Lorrain & Compton but we think if they had Expected two such Large ships they would not have sent us this Quantity by the George and therefore if yr. Honour &ca. Could Lade two or three Hundred Bales of Goods on board the Compton as part of her Europe Cargo we beleive it would facilitate her dispatch from the West Coast.

We hope this ship George will arrive with you in good time in which Case you will please to dispatch her early to Vizagapatam to take in Bales there and then the Europe ships may Come directly hither.

Invoice and Bill of Lading for this ship Come inclosd.

Fort St. George
14th. Sepr. 1736.

We are
Honble Sr. & Srs.
Your most humble Servts.
Richd. Benyon &ca.

No. 82

To Captain John Taylor
Commander of the George

Sr.

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board your ship & with the first fair wind set sail for the River of Bengall on your arrival you are to deliver the Accompanying Packet as directed to the Hon'ble the President & Council there to whom your ship goes consign'd & follow their orders for your future Proceedings Dated in Fort St. George this 14th. Sepr. 1736.

Richard Benyon.
[*Lacuna.*]
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 83

To the Worsll. Jas. Hubbard Esqr.
Depy. Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. David

Worsll. Sr. & Sirs

I am order'd by the President & Council to inclose the Invoice of stationary ware sent you on the Rama.

Fort St. George
15th. Septr. 1736.

And am
Worsll. Sr. & Srs.
Your most Humble Servt.
John Savage
Secry.

No. 84

To the Honble Jno. Stackhouse Esqr.
Presidt. and Govr. &ca. Council of Fort William

Honble Sr. & Srs.

This afternoon arriv'd the Madrass Galley and brought us your favour of the 5th. August all our ships are sail'd for Pegue but in Jany. we shall give directions to have a sloop built there according to the dimensions and draught you have sent us, we shall also send over stores and what else may be necessary and give Orders for her ballast & loading as you have directed but we suppose she cannot be finishd and dispatch'd, to you before Septemr. next. We shall forward your Packet to England by the Prince William and are

Fort St. George
18th. Septr. 1736.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most humble Servants
Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 85

To JOHN SANDERSON ESQR.
CHEIF &CA. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM

GENTLEMEN

By the Madrass Galley we send you the Gunpowder you indented for as ℔ Invo. and Bill of Lading inclosd so soon as you have got it on shoar we would have you harbour your Vessell either in your own River or that at Ingeram as may suit best with our Intention that she should assist in bringing up the Bales, from Vizagapatam or Ingeram after the first new Moon in December. If you Can easily get her in & out of the River we shall preferr it to Ingeram because as yours is ye Windermost port she may run down to ye Bar at Ingeram and take in their Bales whereas if she goes into the River there we are told it may happen she may wait for a Southerly Wind before she Can Come out again as Mr. Sanderson resided some time at Ingeram we leave it to you to direct as you think proper. If Mr. Graham has as many Bales ready in Decr. as he gives us hopes of the Galley alone will not have room for them and therefore you must Consider wch. way to send up the rest of that Investment as well as yr. own. The George will be Order'd to Call upon you early in Decr. but if she and the Galley Cannot bring up all the Cloth we reckon some Vessell of your own will be in the Way to help out of which do not fail to give us advice.

FORT ST. GEORGE
21ST. SEPR. 1736.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your Affectionate Freinds

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 86

To MR. ROBT. RAY
MASTER OF THE MADRASS GALLEY

SR

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board yr Vessell and with the first fair Wind set sail for Vizagapatam on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packet as directed to the Cheif & Council there to whom your ship goes consign'd & follow their Orders for your future proceedings Dated in Fort St. George this 21st. Day of Sepr. 1736.

RICHARD BENYON.
[*Lacuna*].
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

No. 87

To the Worsll. James Hubbard Esqr.
Deptt. Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. David

Worsll. Sr. & Srs.

I am order'd by the Prest. & Council to acquaint you that twenty thousand Pags. will be sent you overland tomorrow evening under Charge of thirty Peons. I am

Fort St. George
25th. Sepr. 1736.

Worsll. Sr. & Srs.
Yr. Most Humble Servt.
John Savage
Secry.

No. 88

To the Worll. James Hubbard Esqr.
Depy. Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. David

Worshipfull Sr. & Srs.

This serves to accompany twenty thousand Pags. of which our Secretary advis'd you Yesterday.

Fort St. George
Sepr. 26. 1736.

We are
Worshipfull Sr. & Srs.
Your Affectionate freinds & Servts.
Richard Benyon.
[*Lacuna*].
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 89

To Stephen Law Esqr.
Cheif &ca. Factors at Tellicherry

Gentlemen

We are to acknowledge the receipt of yours of the 12th. & 27th. July and Congratulate you on your success against the Carnitick Rajah as our Garrison is Compleat by the Recruits recd. from England this Year we shall duly desire you when the service is over to return the Commission officers if they request it & to gratifie such of the private men who desire to return to their familys here.

Inclosd Comes an Acct. of the Whole Charges we were at in sending the Recruits to you. It is an Omission that this Accot. was not sent you sooner.

We sent forward your several Packets for Bengall & Bay as they arrived.

We wish you success in our Hble Masters affairs and are

Fort St. George
Octr. 14th. 1736.

Gentlemen
Your Most Humble Servts.
Richp. Benyon
&ca. as above.

No. 90

To the Worshll. James Hubbard Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &ca. Council of Fort Sr. David

Worsll. Sir & Sirs

We shall now acknowledge the Receipt of your severals of the 6th. 10th. 28th. & 29th. Sepr. and 5th. Octr. that of the 28th. Septr. is only the duplicate of what you Intended us by the Rama which Vessell we hear by a Cattamaran we sent to look for her the beginning of the Month was return'd to you & the Bales relanded.

The 12th. Decr. Last our honble Masters are pleas'd to write us as follows "It appearing to us that Elizabeth Orrill is the only surviving orphan of Edward Orrill Late Citizen, Armourer & Brasier of London at the time of his death, Grace her mother & Lawfull wife of Mr. Orrill died here & was buried as by Certificate of the Revd. Mr. Gilbert Burnett the 5th. of Febry. 1731 by the Custom of London, the said Elizabth. is indisputably entituled to one full Moety or half part of all the Personall Estate her Father dyed possess'd of, after his debts & funeral Charges are paid. The Custom travels with the person and the Estate is attach'd thereby and for any will disposing of the Estate in another manner it is null & void as to so much as thawrts the Above Custom & therefore we recommend it to you to see that the said share of Mr. Orrils Estate be remitted to her the said Elizabeth Orrill by Bills upon us with a particular account of the said Estate.

Having enquired here conserning ye. administration of Captn. Orrills Estate we are told Mr. Hubbard took out probat of his will as Executor thereto we desire therefore he will Let us know his answer to the above recited Paragth. of the Compy's. that we may know what to write them in our next general Letter.

Mr. Henry Powney whom the Compy. have entertain'd as a Writer in their service went overland to you the 28th. Sepr. he was paid his dyet money & other allowances during his stay here except his sallary that must be paid him with you from the time of his Arrival here that was the 7th. Augt.

We are

Fort St. George
Octr. 23d. 1736.

Worsll. Sr. & Srs.
Yr. Afftc. Freinds & Servts.

Richard Benyon.
[*Lacunæ*].
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 91

To John Sanderson Esqr.
Cheif &ca. Council of Vizagapatam

Gentlemen

We have received yours of the 6th. August 5th. & 12th. Sepr. & one of the 11th. Sepr. from Mr. Sibley at Upparra. The Jenny did not arrive here till the 29th. Past & being oblig'd to send the Bales on board ye. Prince William as fast as she could take them in we had not time to make our observations on the Cloth But as there was so little of it we hope it was good. We will not doubt yr. best endeavours to supply us with a Larger Quantity in time for our January Ships. We received from Mr. Sibley no more than 25 Bundles qt. 50 Corge of Sallampores. We are advis'd by a Maldiva Boat that the Vessell which Carried you the stationary Ware and other Stores was safe arriv'd with you.

Mr. Graham writes us that in Conformity to a former Order he sends his monthly accounts to yr. Settlement we do not think fitt to Countermand that order, but after you have perused them send them up to us together with your own & such observations as you make thereon.

We are

Fort St. George
26th. Octr. 1736.

Gentlemen
Your Affectionate friends

Richard Benyon.
[*Lacuna*]
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 92

To Mr. John Graham
Resid^{t}. at Ingeram

Sr.

We received yours of the 15th. & 24th. September the first inclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for 160 Bales of Cloth on the Jenny snow we observe the whole is Charg'd at one Pagoda ℔ Corge more than the last Years prices as we suppose it to be a mistake you must rectifie it in your Books as we shall do here. You may Charge Vizagapatam 80 Pags. which we have allowed as freight for the 80 Bales you sent thither on the Maddapollam Yatch.

We do not think fitt to Contradict the Orders you had formerly to send yr. Genl. Books and monthly Accots. to Vizagapatam but you must send them thither in good time because they have directions to send them us from thence wth. their own accots.

The Accounts of the Maddapollam stock must be kept in the manner you were directed from hence except such account is already entered on the Vizagapatam Book's but that we beleive is not done & therefore will more properly stand upon yours.

We depend upon yr promise that you will take care not to suffer any new impositions from the Juncannars & river men: that you will be as sparing as possible in yr. Presents & that upon all occasions you will put the Compy. to no more Expence than is absolutely necessary.

We are
Sr.
Yr. affectionate Freinds
Richd. Benyon.
[*Lacuna*]
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

Fort St. George
Octr. 26th. 1736.

No. 93

To John Sanderson Esqr.
Cheif &ca. Council of Vizagapatam

Gentlemen

We have yours of the 11th. & 23d. Oct^{r}. the first does not require any immediate reply & as to the Last we say that as you by being on the spot are much better acquainted with the Rivers and what conveniencys there are for shipping of Goods we leave it to you to give such directions as you think will best & soonest bring both your own & the Ingeram Investment up hither, and we hope you will not keep any of the Vessels Longer than the 25th. of next Month at farthest such of the Timber & plank that the George brought you from Pegue, and is not wanted in your Buildings you may send up hither.

We are
Gentlemen
Your affectionate freinds
Richd. Benyon &ca.

Fort St. George
15 Novr. 1736.

No. 94

To the Worshipfull Jas. Hubbard Esqr.
Deputy Govern^r. &c^a. Council of Fort St. David

Worshipfull Sr. & Srs.

We have received yours of the 22d. & the Acco^t. of the thirty three Bales of Your Merch^ts. Cloth w^ch. were turn'd out of that which Came up here in Jan^ry. and Feb^ry. 1734–5 must be adjusted in your next Book's for thô fifteen Bales have been since taken in at Lower numbers we cannot yet determine what to do with the rest.

You may permit M^r. Allen to come up hither according to his Request.

We are
Fort St. George — Worsll. Sr. & Srs.
November ye. 25th. 1736. — Your Affectionate Freinds and Servants

Richard Benyon.
[*Lacuna*].
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
[*Lacuna*].

No. 95

To the Worshipfull James Hubbard Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &c^a. Council of Fort St. David

Worshll. Sr. & Srs.

I am order'd by the Presid^t. & Council to advise you that to Morrow they will send you overland a supply of twenty thousand pagodas w^ch. you will please to order your Peons to meet as usual.

I am
Fort St. George — Worsll. Sr. & Sirs
5th. Decr. 1736. — Your Most Humble Servant

John Savage
Secry.

No. 96

To the Worshll. Jas. Hubbard Esqr.
Deputy Govr. &c^a. Council of Fort St. David

Worshipfull Sr. & Srs.

This serves only to accompany twenty thous^d. Pagodas our Secry. advis'd you of Yesterday.

We are
Fort St. Georgh — Worsll. Sr. & Srs.
Decr. 6th. 1736. — Yr. Affte. Freinds & Servants

Richd. Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
[*Lacuna*]
Willm. Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 97

To Mr. John Graham
Resident at Ingeram

Sir

We have received yours of the 15th. past Inclosing your Merchts. Petition for an advance on the Last Year's prices to this. We shall make no immediate Reply deferring any Resolution thereon till we see your Bales up here and the Quality thereof which we had no opportunity to observe in those by the Jenny as we were obliged to send them on board the Prince William so soon as they Arrived.

We are

Fort St. George
Decemr. 6th. 1736.

Sir
Your affectionate Freinds

Richard Benyon.
Randall Fowke.
Augustus Burton.
Nicholas Morse.
Francis Rous.
William Monson.
George Torriano.

No. 98

To the Worshipll. James Hubbard Esqr.
Depuiy Govr. &ca. Council of Fort St. David

Worshipfll. Sir & Sirs

This Morning we recd. yours of the 3d. with the several accounts Inclosd together with your General Bookes. Let it be a standing Rule with you always in future to send up together with your Books a Report of your annual Charges and Revenues explaining the Reason for any Encrease or decrease in the same, and the like method must be observed when you send up your Monthly Accots. when they Come up hither our accountant Constantly reports wherein your Expences have decreased or increased but for the last we do not always know what occasion or necessity there was for it, For Example in the Month of September we find Pagodas 183. 34. 38 expended on the out Guards In the Paymasters accot. we only find an account of the Materials used & the Workmanship but it does not explain what the Work was & your Letters have been silent about it except it be part of the Work you were permitted to sett abt. two Years ago But one thing we find fault with wch. is placing the several sums disbursed to the Particular heads of the Buildgs. wch. only adds to their first Cost and being only for repairs ought to be Charg'd to Repairs of Fortifications. We observe by your General Book's that your Revenues are [decreased to] Pags. 1577. 30. 16 we should know from whence it proceeds that we [will] be able to give the Compy. our reasons for it, in our next Letters, for the future you must send us up Copys of yr. Sea & Land Customers Book's.

We are sorry to observe by your Last you have no more Bales on hand and yr. Merchants should be threatned with the Penalty in their Contracts if they do not comply with them a little [sooner] than they seem likely to do at present. We know the situation of the Country about you must subject them to a great many difficulties but they ought for shame to exert themselves and behave better than they do. Our ships will now very soon be with us and we depended so much upon the Quantity you gave us hopes of that if they fall much short of it, one of the ships

will very likely go home for so far dead freighted or we must detain her to be a late ship since you know the Consequence of a disappointment we will not doubt your Endeavours to Prevent it.

We are
WORSHIPFLL. SIR AND SIRS
Your affectionate Freinds &
Servants

FORT S. GEORGE
DECEMBER 6TH. 1736.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
FRANCIS ROUS.
WILLIAM MONSON.
GEORGE TORRIANO.

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